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# A NEW MILLENNIUM -NOT!

The new year arrived in Fairbanks without the usual fanfare. A high pressure area holding in below normal temperatures and a layer of ice fog put a damper on the annual fire works display. They have been rescheduled for this coming Saturday, January 8, but the cold is hanging in here, and the ice fog, while not as thick as New Year's Eve, is still limiting visibility.

The hoopla of "the new millennium" has past. Good thing as the new millennium everyone is making such a fuss about will not begin until 2001, as the year 2000 is the last year of the 20th century. But what is a millennium? It is the end of 1,000 years. Every year is a new millennium. Every day can be a new millennium (the last day of a 1,000 year cycle).

And the panic of Y2K has past with a whimper. Our old computer at the store seems to have weathered the date change ok, even if the cooling fan screams at me on occasion and the monitor is doing some weird things. I have a

new computer at home that I am typing this on, and it is quite impressive! Perhaps I can convince Jerry that we need one at the shop. You will be seeing some of the things this can do, once I learn how to do them. There will be at least one color front page this year.

But what does all this have to do with Alaskan numismatics? Well, Alaska Mint (www.alaskamint.com) issued a one ounce medal called "Millennium Money." Struck to the usual one ounce silver round standard, it is a simple design featuring the Alaska Mint logo.







TOKEN

ALASKAR



A new mint has begun striking medals in Anchorage, the Evergreen Mint (www.evergreenmint.com) has also struck several "millennium" medals. Only one features an Alaskan motif, a map of Alaska with a "shooting star", similar to the logo for the Alaska Goldpanners baseball team!

Are we saying that these medals are inaccurately timed? Absolutely. Will we be issuing a medal to mark the true millennium. Nope. No one would believe us anyway!

#### **EDITORIAL**

Well, our proclamation that Y2K created no problems for us was premature. Our email has been acting up, and I could not access WordPerfect at the store this morning. Come to find out, DOS thought it was 2094. Now when it thought it was 1994, everything was working. But it seems that it selects a new date each time I turn on the machine! Well, if the only problem is that I have to reset the DOS date each time I turn on the computer, I guess I can live with that.

#### JERRY - I want a new computer!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

The primal scream above was brought to you because we (my family) have a new computer at home. It has all the bells and whistles, is fast, has 256K RAM so that it can run Page Maker and Photoshop. I have started to use the computer at home. The front page was done there.

We have a fair amount of non-Alaskan, non-Yukon material on hand that we will be using in coming months - Greenland, Tierra del Fuego, Falklands. Hopefully, some readers out there have information they would like to share about Alaskan and Yukon material. We only have one article on Alaskan numismatics, but I think it will be worth the wait until I get it right.

Kenton update: In August, we moved Kenton from the facility in Western Samoa to an associated facility in Mexico. Samoa had served its purpose, and a change was in order. He finally passed the third seminar after 5 tries! He is eligible for level 4, but must be voted up and that will likely take a couple months. At level 4, we can visit. If any of you know of a family with a teen in crisis, please have them contact me. This program can change lives. Have them call 907-452-6461 during the day or email akcoins@mosquitonet.com.

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The medal is 41mm bronze.

Brian E. Cleary

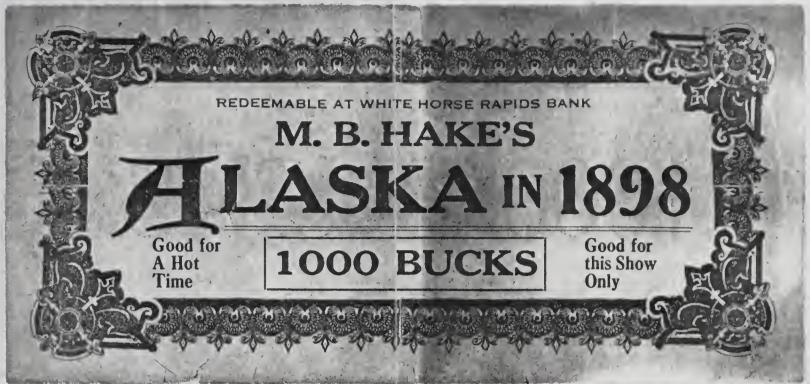
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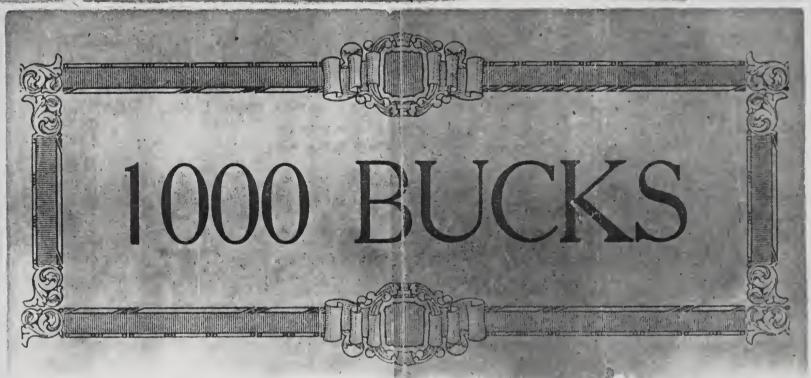




Another aviation piece: 517th Airlift Squadron, Firebirds, "Arctic Airlift." Bronze, 40mm (submitted by Kurtis Hawk).

#### M.B. HAKE'S ALASKA IN 1898





We have had this piece in our file since 1992. Bary Bender sent it in and it just kind of got buried. We found it the other day, and thought it was interesting. When we first saw it, we thought it was "dance hall" money, used for low stakes gambling during some sort of special celebration.

Looking at it now, we question that assumption. After researching "The Klondyke Nugget," this piece becomes intriguing with the legend "Good for this Show Only." Was this advertising for a stage show? Or maybe M.B. Hake ran a traveling "gambling den", with costumed dealers, etc., giving it the atmosphere of the gold rush. An intriguing idea which we hope a reader will be able to confirm or deny.

#### PRICE REALIZED

Lee Poleske of Seward sent in our lone price realized this month. We found it so interesting that we had to run it right away! From the Western National Historical Artifacts and Paper Money Show, in Salt Lake City, Utah, November 19-20. Lot number 9, under Obsolete and Miscellaneous items was Alaska "Colonial Currency \$1 Good for one share of independence. CU Price Realized - \$55. Wow, we're rich!!!!



#### JIM ROBB'S YUKON PAPER POTPOURRI

WHITEHORSE: Yukon Gallery, 15% off framing of Diane Paton Peels "Alpine Reflections" painting. Valid until October 31, 1994. Black on blue paper, 139mm by 88mm.

15% YUKON GALLERY 15% OFF

Present this coupon and receive a discount on the framing of Diane Paton Peels "Alpine Reflections" Valid until October 31, 1994

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15%

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WHITEHORSE: Yukon Gallery, \$5, \$10, \$20 and \$50 Quest Dollars discount scrip. The \$5 is off purchases over \$25, a 20% discount. Our assumption is that all are based on a 20% discount. Approximately 160mm by 72mm. Quest refers to the Yukon Quest sled dog race between Fairbanks and Whitehorse.

#### FOR THE RECORD



## WELL

ANCHORAGE: Cross Roads, Where Friends Meet, Well Drink, florescent red on white plastic, 40mm, octagonal. For similar tokens see page 5, 1989 (submitted by Kurtis Hawk).





**FAIRBANKS:** Fairbanks Daily News-Miner, one ounce silver bar, Merry Christmas 1999.





NOME: "Millennium Money", There's no place like Nome. Standard Alaska Mint Millennium Money die. We forgot about this one when we put the front page together! One ounce silver.





ALASKA: Purchase of Alaska, The Bicentennial History of the United States. Sterling silver, 56mm by 37mm (submitted Kurtis Hawk).

ALASKA: The 49th State, 1976. Mardi Gras, New Orleans, Dollar Club. Apparently a Mardi Gras Doubloon. Alum., 39mm (submitted by Kurtis Hawk).









ALASKA: 172d Infantry Brigade (Separate), America's Arctic Warriors. Rev.: Arctic Tough, Combat Ready, Presented for Arctic Excellence. Bronze, enameled with red, black, blue and turquoise, 50mm. Similar to a medal reported last month (submitted by Kurtis Hawk).

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# ROYAL GREENLAND TRADING COMPANY

BY AUDUN DAVIDSEN

When a European power colonized another country, one of the first things that it wanted to control was trade. In some cases, the trade was limited to the colonizing power's vessels. At other times, a trade monopoly was granted. The Russian American Company and the British East India Company are good examples of these monopolies. The Hudson's Bay Company charter was to "the Governor and Company of Adventurers of England Trading into Hudson Bay," and they were give sole control of trade and commerce. The Royal Greenland Trading Company was no less a trade monopoly.

In 1723, Denmark established a trading monopoly in Greenland. This was generally assigned to individual trading companies. In spite of this monopoly, Greenlanders continued their barter economy. The hunting and fishing West Greenlanders continued to trade with vessel's from the Netherlands, Hamburg/Bremen, England and others. To put an end to this "illegal" trading, the Royal Greenland Trading Company instituted a new law on March 18, 1776, but it did not put an end to the barter economy. It took the distant government in Denmark another 23 years and the collaboration of two inspectors, Claus Bendeke and Peter Hanning Motzfeldt, in the western harbor Godhavn to realize that the Greenlanders could understand the art of a market economy.

When examining his accounts for the year 1800-01, Peter Hanning Motzfeldt discovered that the income statement showed a large overdraw of goods on hand to the Greenlanders. On August 25, 1801, he sent a letter to the company stating that he needed to issue private currency to keep control over the balance sheet. This is the same reason for issuing of the Alaska Rural Rehabilitation Corporation tokens. In a letter written in 1800, Hother Ostermann states that an issue of currency was made from playing cards and tarot cards with the inspector's seal on the back. Motzfeldt was strictly ordered to destroy every specimen. He apparently succeeded as there are no known specimens surviving. The 1801 issue of Godhavn notes was also on playing cards and meant to be a one time issue. Motzfeldt had to take a loan in the amount of 286 Rigsdaler, a substantial amount at the time. The currency was issued in the following denominations and quantities:

10	10 Rigsdaler	40	48 Skilling
20	5 Rigsdaler	24	12 Skilling
50	1 Rigsdaler	48	6 Skilling

There are 96 Skilling to the Rigsdaler.

OKEN

ASKAR

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North of 60°——————————————————————South of 50°

#### **EDITORIAL**

This month, we bring you an interesting article about the Royal Greenland Trading Company. It is interesting to note the similarities between large monopolistic trading companies. Our thanks to Audun Davidsen of Norway for this article.

For those of you only interested in Alaska, we hope that the six page price list included with this issue satisfies your cravings. We have added some good material, and deleted those items sold. As always, ordering early by phone is the best way not to miss out on those pieces you want.

As a further consolation to those of you who only want to read about Alaskan numismatics, as soon as OfficeMax has a sale on color copies, we will have an article on Alaskan gold. The front page alone will be worth the wait.

Another article in the works looks at the wreck of the Princess Sophia.

And it seems that my primal scream in the last issue did some good. We have ordered a new computer for the store. The first three pages of this issue were done on Page Maker on our home computer. I will be able to do this and more on the new computer when it arrives. While the color front page will be a limited feature because of the cost of copying, as I learn to use this program, I should be able lay out the newsletter in new and interesting ways. Perhaps the new computer will arrive in time to do the next issue. I just don't want to think of all the files I will have to transfer.

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The Cutty Sark Tall Ship Races are commemorated on the latest issue from Shetland Numismatics. A series of ten "Shetland Kroner" depict ten different tall ships in full color.

The races start in St. Malo, Brittany, France, proceed to Greenock, United Kingdom, on to Lerwick, Shetland and then to the finish in Aalborg, Denmark.

The ten ships noted are as follows:

Alexander von Humboldt - Germany Christian Radich - Norway Cuauhtemoc - Mexico Danmark - Denmark Eendracht - Netherlands Kruzenshtern - Russia Pogoria - Poland Statsraad Lehmkuhl - Norway Swan fan Makkum - Netherlands Sorlandet - Norway

The coins are available in three qualities, prices in Pounds:

Proof quality cupronickel:

9.95, set of 10 for 89.50

Proof quality sterling silver:

35.00, set of 10 for 329.50

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45.00, set of 10 for 425.00

The coins utilize a revolutionary new process to produce full color images, and are struck to the highest quality by the Tower Mint in London.

"The Shetland Kroner commemorative coins represent a wonderful tribute to Shetland's Scandinavian connections at an unprecedented time in European history, and the landmark Cutty Sark Tall Ships' Races visit to the islands."

Contact Shetland Numismatics Ltd., Skellister, South Nesting, Shetland, ZE2 9PP, United Kingdom.

#### GREENLAND, cont.

This issue was left with the merchant in Godhavn as payment for the delivery of goods. They were to be used only in trade in Godhavn. The merchant was to maintain full accounts for the Greenlanders and also set the prices on goods delivered.

The Motzfeldt experiment in making currency for the Greenlanders was a great success from the start. The introduction showed that the natives purchased the most needed supplies, and came for more when their supplies were nearly depleted.

In spite of this success, the Royal Greenland Trading Company hesitated in sending official currency to Greenland. But as the need for currency spread with the increasing demand for products such as tobacco, coffee, tea, liquor and, most popular of all, rock candy, the company was forced to issue its own currency. In 1803, they issued credit notes in the value of 1/2 Rigsdaler and 24 and 12 Skilling. These notes were valid only in Julianehab.

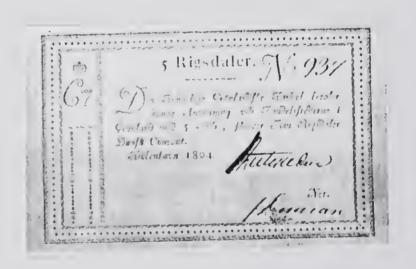


On March 31, 1804, the management in the Company finally decided to make their own currency and make it valid in all of Greenland. Motzfeldt wanted the notes made in copperplate engraving with the signature made as a facsimile. Unfortunately for the accountant Duncan and Carl Pontoppidan, they were printed by press, and all 38,800 notes had to be hand signed. The stress shows clearly in Pontoppidan's writing. These notes were made valid for five years.

800	5 Rigsdaler	8000	1/4 Rigsdaler
2000	1 Rigsdaler	8000	12 Skilling
4000	1/2 Rigsdaler	16000	6 Skilling

A total face value of 12,000 Rigsdaler was issued.





Not all notes printed in 1804 were used that year. A quarter of the notes were used in the north section of Greenland, and probably less in the south where there was less trading. The introduction of the notes in the south was made gradually by inspector Marcus Nissen Myhlenport, beginning in Holsteinborg, a whaling port like Godhavn.

The war from 1807 to 1814 put an effective stop to all trade between Denmark and Greenland. This trade was reestablished in 1819, and currency was again issued at this time.

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This the first of two parts. The first part is comprised of tokens that are found in "Alaska Tokens" by Ron Benice, generally pre-statehood. Also included here are older tokens from Yukon and other polar regions. The format followed is generally business name, denomination, Benice number. We have tried to include all Benice listed tokens in this section.

The second part (to be sent later) is made up of tokens and medals issued after statehood and later issues from Yukon, Northwest Territories and other polar regions. Only a brief description of the token or medal is given. Abbreviations used are given at the beginning of that section. If more information is required, please write or call..

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0004 ARRC, 50¢ I/T, B-1e	60.00	0037 Olsen Bros., \$1 I/T only, B-3c.	7.00
0005 ARRC, \$5 I/T, B-1g	125.00	0038 Oscar Samuelsen, set of 3, 25¢ to \$1.00, B-4, a-c	25.00
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		0039 Oscar Samuelsen, 25 ¢ I/T only, B-4a	5.00
ALAKANUK			
0006 Alstrom Trading Co., set of 6, 25¢ to \$20 I/M, B-1		BRISTOL BAY	
a-f.	80.00	0040 Bristol Bay Packing Co., 10¢, B-1c.	5.00
0007 Alstrom Trading Co., 25¢ I/M only, B-1a	7.00		
0008 Alstrom Trading Co., \$1 I/M only, B-1c	12.00	CANDLE	
0009 Alstrum Trading Co., \$10 I/M only, B-1e	20.00	0041 Sourdough Roadhouse One meal,/Keewalik Bar 25 ¢	
		I/T, B-3a	50.00
ANCHORAGE			
0010 AK Federation of the Blind, Bingo Darts, 50¢ I/T, B-2a	5.00	CAPE NEWENHAM	
0011 As above, \$5 I/T, B-2b	10.00	0042 794th AC&W SQ NCO Open Mess, 25¢ I/T, B-1f.	15.00
0012 Alpine Inn, set of 3, 5¢ to \$1 I/T, B-5, a-c	65.00		
0013 Alpine Inn, 5¢ I/T, B-5a.	35.00	CHATANIKA	
0014 Alpine Inn, 25¢ I/T, B-5b.	15.00	0043 Bingle Fritz, 25¢ I/T, B-1a, aluminum plug readable.	150.00
0015 Anchorage Dairy, 1 Pint, B-7a.	75.00	0044 Bingle Fritz, aluminum plug only partially readable	125.00
0016 Anchorage Dairy, 1 Quart, B-7b.	7.50	0045 Bingle Fritz, set of 3, 25 and 50¢ and \$1, B-1 a-c, nice.	450.00
0017 Bert's Liquor, 15 and 25¢ I/T, B-9a, b.	22.50	0046 Dempsey Hotel, 25¢ I/T, B-3a.	30.00
0018 Canteen Bar, 121/2¢ I/T, B-10a, original.	65.00	0047 Dempsey Hotel, \$1 I/T, B-3c	30.00
0019 Canteen Bar, "restrike"	12.00	0048 Dempsey Hotel, two B-3 a, c.	55.00
0020 Cheechako Tavern, 121/2¢ I/T, B-11bi.	25.00		
0021 Cheechako Tavern, 12½¢ I/T, B-11biii	25.00	CHICHAGOF	
0022 Cheechako Tavern, 12½¢ I/T, B-11biv	25.00	0049 Chichagof Club, 5¢ I/T, B-1a	25.00
0023 Cheechako Tavern, 121/2¢ I/T, B-11bv	25.00	0050 Chichagof Club, 12 ½¢ I/T, B-1b	25.00
0024 The Club, 121/2¢ I/T, B-12ai.	30.00	0051 Chichagof Development Co., 5¢ chit, B-2a	2.50
0025 The Club, 121/2¢ I/T, B-12aii	30.00	0052 Chichagof Development Co., 10¢ chit, B-2b	2.50
0026 The Club, 121/2¢ I/T, B-12b.	30.00	0053 Chichagof Development Co., 25¢ chit, B-2c	2.50
0027 D&D Bar, set of 3; 25, 50¢, and \$1 I/T, B-14a-c.	35.00		
0028 D&D Bar, 50¢ I/T, B-14b	10.00	CHISANA	
0029 Fourth Ave. Liquor, 25¢ I/T, B-19a.	25.00	0054 Lou Anderton, \$5 I/Γ, B-1d	45.00
0030 Hobby Lobby, 25¢ I/T, B-20a.	10.00	0055 Bank Coffee House, 25¢, B-2a	125.00
0031 Kustatan Packing Co., Al Jones, 5¢ I/T, B-26a	30.00	0056 C.A. Simons, \$5 I/T, B-3b. Edge cut with saw, about	
0032 Union Club set of 4, 5 to 50 ¢ I/T, B-38, a-d.	40.00	3/8 inch deep.	175.00
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BARROW		0057 Fritz, no denomination, B-1a. A dug token, price	
0033 Tony's Recreation, complete set of 4; 5,10,		reduced again. Was \$50, now	40.00
25 and 50¢, B-1 a-d.	80.00	0058 Totem, 121/2¢ I/T, B-4a.	50 00
		0059 Eddie Willis, Good in Trade, B-6a A dug token,	
		price reduced again. Was \$100, now	80 00
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CORDOVA		FAIRBANKS	
0060 Alaskan Hotel, 121/20 IT, B-1a	12.00	0096 American Legion, \$1 I/T, post-statehood, scarce.	25.00
0061 Oscar Breedman, 6¼ ¢ I/T, B-5a.	75.00	0097 BPOE 1551 Bingo Darts, 50¢ I/Γ, B-5a.	5.00
0062 Carscaden's, 61/4e IT, B-6a	125.00	0098 BPOE, \$5 I/T, B-5b.	6.00
0063 The Club, 121/2¢ L/T, B-7a, some fading	30.00	0099 Bentley Dairy Co., 10¢ milk bottle check, B-6a.	45.00
0064 The Club, C&M, 25¢ I/T, B-10a,	30.00	0100 Bentley Dairy Co., milk bottle cap	3.00
0065 The Club, B-10a, barely identifiable.	7.00	0101 B.P.O.E. (Elks) Bingo Darts, 50¢ I/T, B-5a	3.00
0066 Club Billiard Hall, 5¢ I/T, B-9a.	35.00	0102 Brown Derby, 5 ¢ I/T, B-10a	60.00
0067 Cordova Hotel, 12½¢ I/T, b-13a	20.00	0103 Brown Derby, 10¢ I/T, B-10b.	100.00
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0070 Horsehoe Liquor Co., 61/4¢ I/T, B-20a.	65.00	0106 Creamer's Dairy, 1 Quart, B-13b	10.00
	03.00	0107 Creamer's Dairy, bottle cap	3.00
0071 Northern Drug, 25 ¢ I/T, B-28c. Bimetal, aluminum center a bit corroded.	80.00		100.00
	75.00	0108 F & G, no denomination, B-15a.	45.00
0072 Old Crow, 61/4 I/T, B-31a.		0109 Fairbanks Cigar Store, 5¢ I/T, B-17a.	10.00
0073 Chas. Roswog, 61/4 I/T, B-34b, corroded.	75.00	0110 Fairbanks Public Schools, Milk, B-18a	
0074 Southern Club, 61/4¢ I/T, B-36a.	60.00	0111 Fairview Hotel Pool Hall, 25¢ I/T, B-19b, a dug token.	25.00
0075 Windsor Hotel, 61/4¢ I/T, B-41a.Dug, corroded.	150.00	0112 The Fraction, Wm. Kramer, 25 ¢ I/T, B-21a. A very	
0076 Windsor Hotel Bar, 61/4¢ I/T, B-41b. Dug, corroded.	150.00	scarce token, unfortunately, it has a hole in the center	<i>50.00</i>
		and the edges have been cut.	50.00
CRAIG		0113 H.B., no denomination, B-23a.	275.00
0077 Craig Inn set of 3; 10, 25 and 50¢ I/T, B-2a-c.	55.00	0114 Hall's Bookstore, 12½¢ I/T, B-24b	150.00
0078 Lib's & Jessie's Cocktail Bar, set of 3, B-3 a-c.	35.00	0115 L.A. Meyer, 25¢ L/T, B-35a.	100.00
0079 Lib's & Jessie's Cocktail Bar, 25¢ I/T only, B-3b.	15.00	0116 Nevada Bar, 5¢ I/T, B-37a.	12.00
0080 Lib's & Jessie's Cocktail Bar, 50¢ I/T onlye, B-3c.	15.00	0117 Nordale Hotel Bar & Pool Room, B-38a. Curve	
		based 2. Worn and scratched.	195.00
DILLINGHAM		0118 Northern Cigar Store, 10¢ I/T, B-40a.	50.00
0081 Fisherman's Co-op Trading Co., set of 5 chits,		0119 Northern Cigar Store, 25 ¢ I/T, B-40bI	65.00
5,10,10,25, and 50 cents. B-3, a-d with both		0120 Northern Cigar Store, 25¢ I/T, B-40bII	65.00
varieties of the 10 cent chit.	30.00	0121 Palace Cigar Store, no denom., B-42a, a dug token,	
0082 Lowe Trading Co., 5 ¢ I/T, b-4a, dark.	225.00	price reduced again. Was \$50, now	35.00
		0122 The Pastime, \$1 I/T, B-43a.	50.00
DYEA		0123 Pastime Cigar Store, 5-10-25¢ I/T, B-44, a-c.	25.00
0083 W.A. & H., no denomination, B-4a. A dug token,		0124 Pioneer Hotel, 5¢ I/T, B-45aI.	35.00
price reduced again. Was \$250, now	200.00	1025 Pioneer Hotel, 10¢ I/T, B-45b.	35.00
0084 WA. & H, not dug with hole at 12 o'clock, worn	150.00	0126 Pioneer Hotel, 25¢ I/T, B-45c.	25.00
Whi. co 11, not dag with hole at 12 0 clock, worth	150.00	0127 Zapel's Restaurant, 10¢ L/T, B-58a.	10.00
EEK		0121 Zaper s Kestaurant, 10¢ D1, B-36a.	10.00
0084 Gill McIntyre, set of 3, 25 and 50¢ I/T and \$1 I/T. All		FIRE ISLAND	
			15.00
ar e damaged as are many village tokens. The 25 ¢		0128 NCO Open Mess, 50¢ I/T, B-1dI	
looks beat up, the 50 ¢ has major scratches, and the		0129 NCO Open Mess, B-1dII	10.00
\$1 has a hole. These were obviously used, and served	100.00	*10************************************	
their purpose!	100.00	FORT GREELY	10.00
0085 Gil McIntyre, 50 ¢ I/T only, B-1b, not bad, no damage		0130 NCO Open Mess, 5,10,25¢, B-1, a,b,c I (paper).	12.00
worth noting, better than the piece in the set.	50.00	0131 NCO Open Mess, 5¢ only, B-1aI.	3.00
		0132 NCO Open Mess, 25¢ only, B-1cI	3.00
EIELSON A.F.B.		0133 NCO Open Mess, 5,10,25¢, B-1, a,b,c II (cardboard)	12.00
0086 Airmen's Annex, NCO Open Mess, 25¢, B-1aII	3.00	0134 NCO Open Mess, 5¢ only, B-1aII.	3.00
0087 NCO Open Mess, B-3cII.	4.00	0135 NCO Open Mess, 25¢ only, B-1cII.	3.00
ELMENDORF A.F.B.		FLAT	
0088 Civilian Club, \$1 I/T, B-1f.	12.00	0136 William Kruhm, 50¢ I/T, B-2b	100.00
0089 Civilian Club, 5 ¢ I/T, B-1a	10.00	0137 William Kruhm, \$1 I/T, B-2c	125.00
0090 Civilian Club, set of 4; 5, 10, 25 ¢ I/T and \$1 I/T. B-1,		0138 Joe Parker, 25¢ I/T, B-3a	20.00
a,b,c,f	40.00		
0091 NCO Open Mess, \$1 L/T, B-2bii	4.00	FORT RICHARDSON	
		0139 Officer's Open Mess, \$1 I/T, B-2b	6.00
EXCURSION INLET			
0092 A&PSC Co set of 4, 5 to 50¢ I/T, B-1, a-d.	45.00	FORT WAINWRIGHT	
0093 A&PSC Co., 5 ¢ I/T only, B-1a	10.00	0140 Barber Shops, One Haircut, B-1a	20.00
0094 A&PSC Co, 50 ¢ I/Tonly, B-1d	12.00	• ,	
0095 A&PSC Co, \$1 I/T, B-1e, light scratches.	125.00	FORT YUKON	
, , , , , ,		0141 Carney & Irvin, 25¢ I/Γ, B-1a.	60.00
		0142 Fort Yukon Hotel, 25¢ I/T, B-4a.	30.00
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GALENA		0196 Naw Vork Evahanca 61/4 I/T P 52hii w/a hala	25_00
	125.00	0186 New York Exchange, 61/4 L/T, B-53bii, w/o hole.	15 00
0143 A.R. Nollner, 25¢ I/T, B-1a. Holed.	123.00	0187 New York Exchange, 61/4¢ I/T, B-53biii with hole,	
CAMPELL		0188 New York Exchange, 10¢ I/T, B-53ci	25.00
GAMBELL 0144 Paindage Communical Co., partial set of 6: 14 to \$1		0189 New York Exchange, 10¢ I/T, B-53cii	25.00
0144 Reindeer Commercial Co., partial set of 6; 1¢ to \$1,	55.00	0190 Occidental Bar, 12½¢ I/T, B-55a.	150.00
B-1 a-f.	55.00	0191 Occidental Hotel, 121/2¢ I/T, B-56a.	100_00
0145 Reindeer Commercial Co, complete set of 8, 1¢ to		0192 Occidental Hotel, 121/2¢ L/T, B-56c.	100.00
\$10, B-1 a-h	200.00	0193 San Francisco Bakery, 1 loaf, B-65a.	35.00
0146 Reindeer Comm. Co, your choice 1, 5 or 10¢ I/T, each	3.00	0194 Tony's Comet, 12½¢ I/T, B-69a.	100.00
0147 Reindeer Commercial Co, 25¢ I/T, B-1d	10.00	0195 Tony's Place, 12½¢ I/T, B-70a	100.00
0148 Reindeer Commercial Co, 50¢ I/T, B-1e	10.00		
0149 Reindeer Commercial Co, \$1 L/T, B-1f	20.00	KENNECOTT	
0150 Reindeer Commercial Co, \$5 L/T, B-1g	45.00	0196 Kennecott Dairy bottle cap.	5.00
COODMENSODAN		TATE CALLED A DI	
GOODNEWS BAY	100.00	KETCHIKAN	15.00
0151 Joseph H. Rutlader Traders, \$1¢ I/T, B-2c.	100.00	0197 Abercrombie's, 2¢ I/T, B-1a.	15.00
		0198 Abercrombie's, 8¢ I/T, B-1c, dirty	15.00
HAWK INLET		0199 Blue Fox Pup, 5,25 and 50¢ I/T, B-6 a,c,d.	15.00
0152 P.E. Harris & Co., 5¢ I/T, B-1a	135.00	0200 Blue Fox Pup, 5, 25, 50¢ I/T, \$1 I/T, B-6a,c,d,e. 4 pcs.	50.00
		0201 Blue Fox Pup, your choice 5, 25 or 50¢ I/T, each	6.00
HOMER		0202 F.O.E. Aerie 162, Monday and Thurs., B-14a.	15.00
0153 Bayside Lounge, 50¢ I/T, B-1a.	25.00	0203 The Hub, 25¢ I/T, B-19a.	5.00
0154 Homer Club, 50¢ I/T, B-2a.	150.00	0204 Katchikan Pharmacy, 5¢ I/T, B-22a	110.00
		0205 T.N. Kushi, 5, 25 and 50¢ I/T, B-27a-c.	125.00
HOONAH		0206 T.N. Kushi, 5¢ I/T, B-27a	20.00
0155 Hoonah Packing Co., 5¢ I/T, B-1a.	12.00	0207 T.N. Kushi, 25¢ I/T, B-27b	20.00
0156 Hoonah Packing Co., 10¢ I/T, B-1b	15.00	0208 Lange's, 25¢ I/T, B-29b	20.00
0157 Hoonah Packing Co., 25¢ I/T, b-1c	15.00	0209 Lange's, \$1 I/T, B-29d.	22.00
0158 Hoonah Packing Co., 50¢ I/T, B-1dI	25.00		
0159 Hoonah Packing Co., 50¢ I/T, B-1dII	30.00	0210 Lucky Spot, 10¢ I/T, B-32b	40.00
		0211 The Mint, 12½¢ I/T, B-33a.	55.00
0160 Hoonah Packing Co., \$1 I/T, B-1e.	50.00	0212 Nelson Hotel, 25¢ I/T, B-34a.	50.00
0161 Icy Straits Salmon Co., set of 4, 10¢ I/T to \$1 I/T,	100.00	0213 Nelson Hotel, \$1 I/T, B-34b.	35.00
B-2 a-d.	100.00	0214 Pastime Cigar Store, 5, 10 and 25¢ I/T, B-40a-c	30.00
0162 Icy Straits Salmon Co., 10¢ I/T, B-2a	12.00	0215 Pastime Cigar Store, 5¢ I/T, B-40a.	10.00
0163 Icy Straits Salmon Co., 25¢ I/T, B-2b	12.00	0216 Pastime Cigar Store, 10¢ I/T, B-40b	10.00
0164 Icy Straits Salmon Co., 50¢ I/T, B-2c	30.00	0217 (Pioneer) P, 10, 25 and 100 Points, B-41a-c	25.00
		0218 The Pioneer, B. Barclay, 5¢ I/T, B-42a.	45.00
HYDER		0219 Pioneer Bar, 10 Points, B-43a.	12.00
0165 The Bungalow, 25¢ I/T, B-2a.	18.00	0220 Pioneer Bar Card Room, R+C, 10, 25 and 100 Points.	
0166 The Bungalow, 50¢ I/T, B-2b.	18.00	B-44b,d,e.	20.00
0167 The Bungalow, but clipped planchet.	18.00	0221 Pioneer Bar Card Room, R+C, 10 Points, B-44b	5.00
		0222 Pioneer Pool Hall, T&M, \$1 I/T, B-46c.	20.00
INDIAN MOUNTAIN		0223 Pioneer Pool Room, 10¢ I/T, B-47a.	35.00
0168 708 NCO Open Mess, set of 3; 5, 10 and 25¢ I/T,		0224 Quality Bakery, 1 small loaf, B-48a.	30.00
B-1ai, bi, ci.	35.00		
0169 708 NCO Open Mess, 10¢ I/T only, B-1ai.	12.00	0225 Scandia Bar, 5¢ I/T, B-55a.	55.00
0170 708 NCO Open Mess, 25¢ I/T only, B-1a.	12.00	0226 Scoug's Place, 25¢ I/T, B-56b	12.00
0170 706 NCO Open Wess, 25¢ 1/1 only, 15-101		0227 Stedman Hotel Co., 12½¢ IJT, B-60aI	20.00
THE THE A TEXT		0228 Stedman Hotel Co., 121/2¢ I/T, B-60aI, dug	12.00
JUNEAU	15.00	0229 Stedman Hotel Co., 12 ½¢I/T, B-60aII	25.00
0171 Alaskan Hotel Bar, 6¼¢ I/T, B-2aII.	15.00	0230 Stedman Hotel Co., 121/2¢ L/T, B-60bi, very corroded	35.00
0172 Alaskan Hotel Bar, 12½¢ I/T, B-2b.	35.00	0231 Stedman Hotel Co., 121/2¢ I/T, B-60bii, very corroded.	35.00
0173 Burford's Corner, 50¢ I/T, B-12c, 2 holes.	60.00	0232 Stedman Hotel, 25¢ I/T, set of three cardboard tokens,	
0174 Elks Club, 121/2¢ I/T, B-19bi.	100.00	green, pink and orange, B-60c.	45.00
0175 Tom George, 50¢ and \$11/T, B-23 a,b	10.00	0233 Steadman Hotel, \$1 L/T, B-60dI, prooflike AU, nice.	110.00
0176 Tom George, \$1 I/T only, B-23b.	5.00	-,, - , 1	
0177 Imperial Cigar Store, 61/4¢ I/T, B-29a.	15.00	KING SALMON	
0178 Imperial Cigar Store, 121/2¢ I/T, B-29b	35.00	0234 NCO Open Mess, \$1 I/M, alum., B-1a.	30.00
0179 Imperial Pool Parlor, 5¢, B-30a.	5.00	and a sport readily of party attack, as the	50.00
0180 Juneau Douglas Schools, ½ pint milk, B-34 a and b;		KIVALINA	
Also, Juneau Schools ½ pint milk B-40aii, but reverse		0235 Reindeer & Trading Co., 5¢ I/T, B-1a.	4.00
is blank. Set of 3	15.00	0233 Remideel & Trading Co., J& 171, D*1a.	4.00
0181 AH. King, 1916, 50¢ L/T, B-42c	10.00	KOBUK	
0182 The Mecca, 61/4¢ I/T, B-50b, dark, corroded.	75.00		0.00
	25.00	0236 Harry Brown, 25¢ I/T, B-1a.	8 00
0183 New York Exchange, 5¢ I/T, B-53a.		0237 Harry Brown, 50¢ I/T only, B-1b	12.00
0184 New York Exchange, 61/4¢ I/T, B-53bi, with small hole		0238 Harry Brown, set of 3, 25¢ I/T to \$1 I/T, B-1a-c.	40 00
0185 As above, but without hole	25.00		

KODIAK		MURPHY DOME	
0239 B&B Bar, I Booze or Beer, B-1c.	5.00	0272 Murphy Dome Gold, 25¢, B-1a.	4.00
0240 Marine Enlisted Club, 5 and 25¢, B-7, a, c II	7.00	0273 Open Mess, 10¢, B-2b.	10.00
0241 Marine Enlisted Club, 5¢ only, B-7aI	4.00	0274 NCO Open Mess, set of 4, B-3 a,c,d,e.	20.00
0242 Mecca Bar, \$1 L/T, B-9b	8.00	0275 NCO Open Mess, 5¢ I/T only, B-3a.	5.00
0243 NOB, no denomination, B-10b.	15.00	0276 NCO Open Mess, 10¢ I/T only, B-3c.	5.00
0244 Solly's, One snort, B-13a.	5.00	0277 NCO Open Mess, 25¢ I/T only, B-3d.	5.00
0245 Solly's, One snorth, B-13b (Seward & Kodiak)	5.00	0277 NCO Open Mess, 23¢ 11 omy, 15-3d.	3.00
0245 Solly 5, Olic shorti, D-150 (Sewart & Rottak)	3.00	NEBESNA	
KOTZEBUE			125.00
0246 Ferguson Stores, complete set of 3; 25 and 50 cents, \$1	ı	0278 Nebesna Trading Co., \$1 L/T, B-1a.	123.00
B-1 a-c.		RIPATIONIA	
	75.00	NENENA	00.00
0247 Ferguson Stores, 25¢ I/T, B-1a	25.00	0279 Alfred P.J. Ghezzi, 25¢ I/T, B-3aII.	22.00
0248 Ferguson Stores, 50¢ I/T, B-1b	12.00	BIORES	
0249 NCO Club A-Go-Go, 25¢ I/T, B-2c	25.00	NOME	20.00
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KOYUKUK		0281 The Columbia, 1 Drink, B-17a	125.00
0250 J. W. Evans, \$1 I/T, B-1d. Horrible, barely		0282 The Hoffman, no denomination, B-26a.	175.00
identifiable! Corroded, chip missing.	45.00	0283 New Lincoln Bar, 50¢ I/T, B-36a, fired as are most.	35.00
0251 Mike Laboski, 25¢ I/T, B-2a. Dug, corroded, dirty.		0284 New Lincoln Bar, not fire damaged	50.00
Did we leave anything out? Oh, yeah, a piece is		0285 Nome Novelty Co., 25¢, B-38al. Fired, very similar	
missing, unfortunately. A scarce token.	45.00	to the picture in "Alaska Tokens."	125.00
0252 D. Vernetti, set of 6, 121/2 I/T to \$10 I/T, B-3 a-f.	150.00	0286 Polet Stores, set of aluminum tokens; 5, 10 (slightly	
0253 D. Vernetti, 121/2¢ I/T, B-3a.	35.00	bent), 25 and 50¢ and \$1 I/T, B-41a,c,e,g,h. 5 pcs.	210.00
		0287 Polet Stores, set in fiber; 5, 10 and 25¢ and \$1 I/T,	
KWIGUK		B-41b,d,f,i. Set of 4. Was 55.00 SPECIAL	45.00
0254 Alstrom, complete set of 6; B-1 a-f. The 25¢ is worn,		0288 Polet Stores, 5¢ I/T, B-41b.	10.00
dented and edge clipped, the 50¢ is worn with a hole		0289 Polet Stores, 25¢ I/T, B-41f.	12.00
in the center, and the \$1 is very worn. This is very		0290 Polet Stores, 50¢ I/T, B-41g.	30.00
typical of this set, unlike the Alstrom Alakanuk set		0291 Polet Stores, \$1 I/T, B-41I.	18.00
that is encountered BU! The higher denominations			
are ok.	50.00	NOORVIK	
0255 Alstorm, set of 6, b-1 a-f. Better than the preceding lot,		0292 Noorvik Cooperative Store, set of 6; 5, 10, 25, 50¢	
mostly circulation wear with some light damage	65.00	and \$1 and \$5 I/T. B-1, a-f.	175.00
0256 Alstrom, 50¢ I/T, B-1b, notched edges.	8.00	0293 Noorvik Cooperative Store, set of 4; 10, 25,50¢ and	
0257 Alstrom, \$5 I/T, B-1d, scratches, creases	8.00	\$1, B-1 b,c,d,e.	35.00
0258 Alstrom, but the \$10 red fiber only, B-1f	12.00	0294 Noorvik Cooperative Store, 10¢ I/T only, B-1b.	10.00
		0295 Noorvik Cooperative Store, 25¢ I/T only, B-1c.	10.00
LADD A.F.B.		0296 Noorvik Cooperative Store, 50¢ I/T only, B-1d.	10.00
0259 449th Airmen's Club, 5, 10 and 25¢, B-2 a-c.	12.00	0297 Noorvik Cooperative Store, \$1 I/T only, B-1e.	10.00
out of the state o	12.00	0298 Noorvik Coop. Store, 50¢ I/T only B-1d, but this has	10.00
LATOUCHE		a reeded edge. Looks original. Only one we have seen.	100.00
0260 Board of Trade, 61/4¢ I/T, B-1a. 4mm hole at 5:00,		a recuest edge. 1200ks original. Only one we have seen.	100.00
solder on back.	50.00	NORTHEAST CAPE	
0261 J.W. Little, 12½¢ I/T, B-1a, Native Copper.	200.00	0299 712th NCO Open Mess, 5¢ I/T, B-1a	25.00
0201 3. W. Little, 12726 D 1, D-1a, 14aave Coppel.	200.00	0300 712th NCO Open Mess, \$1 LT, B-1e.	30.00
McCARTHY		0300 712u11400 Open141css, 91 b1, b-10.	30.00
0262 Golden Hotel, 12½ and 25¢ I/T, B-2a,b. Dark with		PALMER	
dab of solder on reverse of each. The pair	80.00	0301 Elks Lodge No. 1842, 50¢ I/T, b-6a.	40.00
0263 Johnson Hotel, 12½¢ I/T, B-4a.	35.00	0302 Moose Lodge 793, 50¢ I/T, B-2a.	30.00
	33.00	0303 Moosee Lodge, 50¢ I/T, B-2b.	40.00
0264 Gustave Priesner, 5¢ I/T, B-5a. Dug, proabably fired,	100.00		
strong detail.	100.00	0304 Palmer Bar, 50¢ I/T, B-4b.	35.00
0265 Gustave Priesner, 10¢ I/T, B-5bII. Dug, probably	100.00	DETERCUIDA	
fired, strong detail.	100.00	PETERSBURG 0305 Hack's, 5¢ L/T, B-3a	100.00
MILLED HOUGE		0303 Hack 8, 3¢ 1/1, D-3a	100.00
MILLER HOUSE	12.00	PORT ALEXANDER	
0266 Miller House Bar, 1 Drink, B-1a.	12.00	0306 Art's Place, 5¢ I/T, B-1a	60.00
MOUNT AIN WILL OF			60.00
MOUNTAIN VILLAGE		0307 John Jacobson, 121/2¢ I/T, B-3a.	18.00
0267 Sheppard Trading Co., set of 6; 25¢ I/M to \$20 I/M,	75.00	0308 John Jacobson, 50¢ I/T, B-3b.	20.00
B-1 a-f	75.00	0309 T.J. Jacobson, 50¢ I/T,B-4a.	18.00
0268 Sheppard Trading Co, 25¢ I/M, B-la	6.00	0310 T.J. Jacobson, \$1 I/T, B-4b.	22.00
0269 Sheppard Trading Co, 50¢ I/M, B-1b	10.00	0311 Pastime Card Room, B-5a.	50.00
0270 Sheppard Trading Co., \$1 I/M, B-Ic	12.00		
0271 Sheppard Trading Co, B-1c, with clipped planchet.	18 00		

SAVOONGA		0356 Shamrock Beer Parlor, 121/2¢ I/T, B-24a	45.00
0312 Reindeer Commercial Company, complete set of 8,		0357 Shooting Gallery, 10¢ I/T, B-25aII	100 00
from 1¢ to \$10, B-1 a-h.	90.00	0358 Perry Hern, 121/2¢ I/T, B-12aI.	5 00
0313 Reindeer Commercial Company, 1¢ to 50¢, B-1, a-e.	25.00	,,,	
0314 Reindeer Commercial Company, 1¢ I/T only, B-1a.	5.00	SNUG HARBOR	
0315 Reindeer Commercial Company, 10¢ L/T only, B-1c.	5.00	0359 Pioneer Canneries Inc., \$1.25 box of clams. B-2a.	110.00
0316 Reindeer Commercial Company, 25¢ I/T only, B-1d.	5.00	,	
0317 Reindeer Commercial Company, 50¢ I/T only, B-1e	5.00	SPARREVOHN	
		0360 719th ACW SQDN, B-1c, 10¢ L/T, corroded.	12.00
SELAVIK		0361 719th ACW SQDN, B-1e, 25¢ I/T, corroded	12.00
0318 Louis Rotman, 25¢ Ι/Γ, Β-2a	30.00	0362 719th ACW SQDN, B-1g, 50¢ I/T, fired.	8.00
0319 Louis Rotman, 50¢ I/T, b-2b	35.00		
	55.00	SPENARD	
SELDOVIA		0363 Friendly Fireside Lounge, 65, 70, 75 and 85¢ L/T,	
0320 Cash Store, 5¢ I/T, B-5a	60.00	B-2 b,c,d,e.	16.00
	•	0364 Eagles Bingo Darts, \$5 I/T, B-1b	6.00
SEWARD			
0321 American Legion, Post 5, B-1a.	5.00	TALKEETNA	
0322 Northern, 121/2¢ I/T, B-8bI	50.00	0365 B.N. Pool Room, 121/2¢ I/T, B-1aII	50.00
0323 Northern, 121/2¢ I/T, B-8bII	50.00	0366 The Fairview, 121/2¢ L/T, B-2a.	40.00
0324 Northern, 12½¢ I/T, B-8bIII	50.00		
0325 Northern, 121/2 I/T, B-8bIV	75.00	TELLER	
0326 The Palace, 12½ ¢ I/T, B-9c.	45.00	0367 North Star Merchantile, set of 4; 5, 25, 50¢ I/T, \$1	
0327 Seward Bar, 12½¢ I/T, B-14a.	45.00	L/T, B-2 a-d.	125.00
0328 Solly's, One Snort, B-16a.	5.00	0368 North Star Merchantile, 25¢ I/T, B-2b.	30.00
0329 Solly's, Seward & Kodiak, One Snort, B-16b	5.00	0369 North Star Merchantile, 50¢ I/T, B-2c.	30.00
522 Bony 3, Beward & Troublet, Direct,	3.00	0370 North Star Merchantile, \$1¢ I/T, B-2d.	35.00
SHEMYA		0371 Teller Commercial Co., set of 5; 5, 25,50¢, and	35.00
0330 NCO Open Mess, Set of 3; 5 and 25¢ I/M, \$1 I/M,		\$1 I/T, B-3 aI, b-d.	30.00
B-2, a,e,h.	35.00	0372 Teller Commercial Co., 5¢ I/T, B-3aI	5.00
0331 NCO Open Mess, set of 3; 5 and 25 ¢ I/M, \$1 I/M.	33.00	0373 Teller Commercial Co., 5¢ I/T, B-3II, worn, bent	10.00
B-2 b,f,j.	24.00	0374 Teller Commercial Co., 25¢ I/T, B-3b.	8.00
0332 NCO Open Mess, 50¢ I/M. B-2gI	8.00	0375 Teller Commercial Co., 50¢ I/T, B-3c.	7.00
0332 1400 Open 141035, 300 1141. D-2gr	0.00	0376 Fantasy piece, good for half bottle of whiskey. Neat	7.00
SHISHMAREF		piece with X cut out of center. While a fabrication,	
0333 Shishmaref Native Store, complete set of 5; 5¢ to \$1,		it has been around for a while.	20.00
B-1 a-e.	35.00	it has been around for a winie.	20.00
0334 Shishmaref Native Store, 5¢, B-1a, or 25¢, B-1c, each		TENAKEE	
0335 Shishmaref Native Store, 10¢ I/T, B-1b	7.00	0377 Tillicum Club, 12½¢ I/T, B-5b, worn	100.00
0333 Sinsimiater Native Store, Top 1/1, 13-10	7.00	05 / / Timedin Cido, 12/2¢ // 1, B-30, Wolfi	100.00
SITKA		THANE	
0336 American Legion, 25¢, \$1 and \$5 I/M, B-2a-c	40.00	0378 A.G.M. Co. Club Room, 121/2¢ I/T, B-1a.	15.00
0337 American Legion, 25¢ I/T, B-2a	5.00	0379 Alaska Gastinueau Mining Co., 1 Loaf of Bread, B-2a	15.00
	5.00	BU with some streaks	150.00
0338 American Legion, \$1 I/T, B-2b	100.00		
0339 Hans Anderson, 5¢ I/T, B-3b	45.00	0380 A.G.M. Co., tool check, B-C2a	6.00
0340 Elk's Club, 50¢, \$1 and \$5 I/T, B-7a-c.	43.00	NAT THE	
0341 Fisherman's Cafe, 10¢ I/T, B-9a. Partial piercing	80.00	VALDEZ	15.00
on reverse.	80.00	0381 Copper Block Buffet, 121/4 Trade Check, B-4a	45.00
0342 Pioneer Bar and Liquor Store, \$1 I/M, B-11a.	4.00	0382 Copper Block Buffet, 12½¢ I/T, B-4b	45.00
0343 R. Witz, 5¢ I/T, B-17a	65.00	0383 C.M. Day, 61/4¢ I/T, B-5a, Very dark, some corr.	150.00
CIPP A CIBEL A BI		0384 C.M. Day, 12½¢ I/T, B-5b. Very dark, some corr.	200,00
SKAGWAY	50.00	0385 The Fairbanks, 12½¢ I/T, B-6b	200.00
0344 J.F. Anderson, 25¢ I/T, B-1b	50.00	0386 I & B, no denomination, B-9a	100.00
0345 BPOE Club, no denom., B-2a.	65.00	0387 Northern, 61/4¢, B-15a.	50.00
0346 BPOE Club, no denom., B-2b.	50.00	0388 Pinzon, 5¢ I/T, B-16aII	15 00
0347 Tony Dotero's, 5¢ I/T, B-8a	175.00	0389 Pinzon, 15¢ I/T, B-16cI	15.00
0348 Perry Hern, 12½¢ I/T, set or 3 different, B-12a, all var.		0390 Pinzon, 15c I/T, B-16cII, been wet.	15.00
0349 Perry Hern, 12½¢ I/T, B-12aI	5.00	0391 Pinzon, 25¢ I/T, B-16dI, worn, legible	15.00
0350 Perry Hern, 121/2¢ I/T, B-12aIII	5.00	0392 Valdez Igloo, Pioneers of Alaska, club currency; \$5, \$	
0351 Idaho Saloon, 10, 12½ and 25¢ I/T, B-14 a-c	100.00	\$20 and \$100, B-18, a,b,c,e.	200.00
0352 Idaho Saloon, 12½¢ I/T, B-14b	50.00	0393 Valdez Hotel, 61/4¢ I/T, B-21a, corroded, not bad.	125.00
0352 Idaho Saloon, 25¢ I/T, b-14c	30.00	0394 Valdeze Hotel, 61/4¢ I/T, B-21a, corroded, worn	75 00
0353 McCreedy & Elliott, 10¢ I/M, B-16b.	25.00		
0354 McCreedy & Elliot, 25¢ I/T, B-16c	25.00	WILDWOOD	
0355 Mascot Saloon, 121/2¢ I/T, B-17c.	100.00	0395 NCO Club, 5¢ I/M, B-1a	15 00
	12	3	

WRANGELL			
0396 Ft. Wrangell Beer Hall, 5¢, B-3a, some scratches rev. 0397 Wrangell Hotel, 5¢ I/T, b-11a. Dug and pitted, a	125.00	PARKING TOKENS	
piece missing, but all legible. Not pretty.	35.00	ANCHORAGE	
		0445 City of Anchorage	1.00
YAKUTAT		0446 AlaskaState Bank	4.00
0398 St. Elias Packing Co., \$1 L/T, B-2c	150.00	0447 Anchorage Westward, parking	5.00
0399 Y&S RY Co., \$1 I/T, B-3d	175.00	0448 First Federal Savings & Loan (w/o Anchorage)	5.00
WEC DAW		0449 First Federal Savings & Loan (with Anchorage)	5.00
YES BAY 0400 Alaska Pacific Fisheries, 5¢ I/T, B-3a.	125.00	NEW AUTONOMY AV ACTEANT	
0401 Alaska Pacific Fisheries, 10¢ I/T, B-3b.	125.00	NEAT NON-ALASKAN	
0402 Alaska Pacific Fisheries, \$1 I/T, B-3e.	150.00	0431 Don's Alaskan Log Cabin, 10¢ I/T, we believe from	
0402 Address active Fibricities, 31 D 1, D-30.	150.00	Seattle. Pictorial of log cabin. Die characteristics are similar to the ARRC tokens.	10.00
TRANSPORTATION TOKE	NS		
TRANSFORTATION TORE	110	GOLD SCALE WEIGHTS	
ANCHORAGE		0432 2 Penny Weights/2 DWT. Brass, 19mm.	10.00
0403 Anchorage City Transit, one fare, B-T1a	2.00		
0404 Anchorage City Transit, 10¢ Fare, B-T1b	4.00	YUKON TOKENS	
0405 Anchorage Public Transit, B-T2a	1.50		
0406 Area Transit Inc., 25¢ Token, B-T4a	6.50	DAWSON	125.00
0407 City of Anchorage, Bus Token, 1973, B-T5a	5.00	0433 B&M, 12½¢ I/T, Y-1420.	125.00
		0434 Davies & Frey, 12½¢ I/T, Y-1600. 0435 Hutton & Pearse, Pure Liquors on ly, 2 Bits, Y2450	125.00 150.00
BARROW (NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH)			
0408 North Slope Borough Public Transit, one Fare, B-T2a.	5.00	NORTHWEST TERRITORI	ES
0409 As above, B-T2b	3.00	0436 Lamson-Hubbard Canadian Co., "1." This token was used at many LHC Co. posts in NWT.	45.00
COOPER LANDING	0.00	YELLOWKNIFE	15.00
0410 Russian River Ferry, one trip, B-T1b	8.00	0437 Red Cap Dairy, set of 2, good for 1 Quart Milk.	
FAIRBANKS/EIELSON/LADD AFB/UNIV. OF AK		White on red and green plastic.	18.00
0411 Alaska Coachways, Ladd AFB/Univ. of Alaska,			NTW7
B-T1b	6.00	HUDSON'S BAY COMPA	NY
0412 Alaska Overland bus token, B-T2a, map and eskimo	0.00	0438 St. Lawrence Labrador District. 1, 5, 10 and 20	
face. Single piece, \$1, 15 for \$10 and 100 for	55.00	MB (made beaver), G-260 d-g. From the	
0413 Fairbanks City Transit System, B-T4a	2.00	Montgomery Collection, Bowers and Ruddy,	
0414 O'Harra Bus Lines, One Fare, B-unlisted. Black on		Feb. 1986.	200.00
orange card board. See May, 1997 page 34 ATC&PN	25.00	0439 HBC, 5,10,25,50,100 (cents) and square "1" (white	
0415 University Bus Lines, 15¢ in transportation. B-T7a,		fox). Scarce set of 6.	175.00
AT-300D. Scarcer than indicated by catalogue price.	25.00	GREENLAND	
0416 University Coach, 121/2¢ in transportation.	40.00	GREENDAND	
0417 FNSB transit, B-T5a	1.50	IVIGTUT KRYOLITHBRUD	
0418 FNSB transit, B-T5c	1.50	0440 10 ore, VF-EF	30.00
0419 FNSB transit, 25th anniversary of statehood set of 12 tokens. See article in Feb. 1996 ATC&PN.	25.00	0441 2 Kroner, F-VF	60.00
tokens. See afficie in Peo. 1990 ATCACI IV.	25.00	CURRENCY	
JUNEAU		0442 25 Ore bank note, P-11 (1913), unissued, CU	125.00
0420 Capital Transit, B-T1a.	2.00	ICELAND	
0421 Juneau Transit System, B-T2a	3.00	ICELAND	
		THINGEYRI	
KETCHIKAN		0443 Thingeyri Bakery, 1 rye bread.	225.00
0422 Herring Cove Transit, B-T2al	4.00	THEODA DEL BURCO	
0423 Northern Bus Co., One Bus Fare, B-T4bI	10.00	TIERRA DEL FUEGO	
0424 Northern Bus Co., One Bus Fare, B-T4bII	10.00	SOCIEDAD EXPLOTADOR DE T. DEL F.	
0425 Northern Bus Co., One Bus Fare, B-T4c	12.00 4.00	0444 Commemorative medals for S.E. de T. del F.: 50mm as	nd
0426 White Cab Co., One Stage Fare, B-T5aII KODIAK	4.00	37mm, each in bronze, copper and oxidized silver	
0427 Brown Bear Bus Line, Return Fair, B-T1al	50.00	(plated???) by the Santiago, Chile Mint. Attractive with	1
J. D. Diovin Dear 1935 Ellie, Retain Lan, 19 11au		sheep on one side, and sheep shearing and legend on	
SITKA		the other. Six medals.	80.00
0428 Anchor Taxi Company, 50¢ I/T, B-T1b	15.00		
0429 Baranof Bus Co, One Fare, B-T2a	10.00	CURRENT TOKEN BOOK	25
and it assessed			
WACKER	8.00	9003 Alaska Tokens by Ron Benice, 2nd edition, 1994	35 00
0430 Weight Transportation Co., Fare, B-T3al	1.11	9004 Yukon Numistatica by Les Hill, 1990	15.00

#### **TEAM ALASKA**



The 632 Air Mobility Support Squadron provides air mobility and aerial support for Alaska and the western Pacific. Advises Commander, Alaskan Command, and component commanders on air mobility operations. Provides command and control of Air Mobility Command (AMC) strategic airlift and tanker aircraft transiting Elmendorf AFB. Provides in place support for joint and combined exercise and contingency operations.

Obverse: Team Alaska / (Eagle of Alaska) / The Last Frontier.

Reverse: Elmendorf AFB, 632 AMSS (squadron patch).

Issued 1996. Bronze and gold plated bronze, 40mm.

-Bryan E. Cleary

#### SHETLAND MEDAL



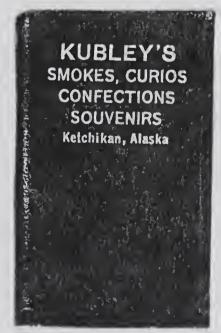
The above medal appeared on eBay recently. It is shown enlarged. Actual size is 1.5 inches. It is cupronickel with a loop for suspension at 12:00.

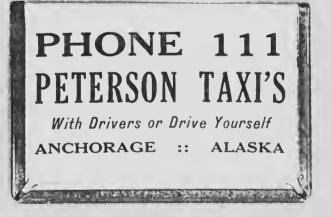
The obverse shows the Shetland coat of arms with whales, unicorn, Shetland pony and Viking ship and motto "Med Logum Skal Land Byggja." The reverse has a map of the islands and the legend "By Law Shall the Land be Built" (a translation of the obverse?).

An attractive piece, this was its second appearance on eBay.

#### **MATCH SAFES**









Four neat match safes, left to right: 1) "Compliments of Ames Mercantile Co., Nome and Dawson, steel. 2) "Kubley's Smokes, Curios Confections Souvenirs Ketchikan, Alaska." Gold on black leather. See Ketchikan B-26. 3) "Phone 111 Peterson Taxi's With Drivers or Drive Yourself Anchorage Alaska." Celluloid and steel. 4) "Compliments of Tony Dortero Skagway Alaska." Celluloid and steel with a cigar cutter (see Skagway B-8). Submitted by Richard Reisinger.

#### FOR THE RECORD



KODIAK: Spanky's Beachcomber Kitchen, \$1 I/T. Gold on black plastic, 38mm.(submitted by Kurtis Hawk/Roy's Coins).



KODIAK: The Village, no denomination, probably a drink token. Octagonal, white on red plastic (submitted by Kurtis Hawk/Roy's Coins).



NENANA: Nenana Trading Post, 50 Cents in trade. Aluminum, 30mm. Unlisted in Benice. Consigned to our March 18 auction.



NOME: Anchor Tavern, one drink. Unknown color on wood (submitted by Kurtis Hawk/Roy's Coins).



NOME: Polaris Bar, one drink. Octagonal, gold on red plastic (submitted by Kurtis Hawk/Roy's Coins).



PETERSBURG: Harbor Bar, Free Drink. Gold on white plastic poker chip (submitted by Kurtis Hawk/Roy's Coins).



SITKA: Russell's/Mac's Sptg. Goods, Wooden Buck Unknown color on wood (submitted by Kurtis Hawk/Roy's Coins).



(WASILLA): Mudbusters Car Wash, 25 Cents in trade. Brass, 22mm (submitted by Kurtis Hawk/Roy's Coins).



ALASKA: Horned Puffins/Alaska, the Last Frontier one ounce silver round (submitted by Kurtis Hawk/Roy's Coins).

This concludes the February issue. It has fallen victim to a few gremlins due to using three different computers, and three different word processing programs. In the coming months, we should be able to work the bugs out, and provide a consistent product.

Our March auction will be held on March 18. The Alaskan portion of that auction will be mailed with the March newsletter. We think you will enjoy it!

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## POLAR NUMISMATIST

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#### THE SINKING OF THE

## PRINCESS SOFIA

October 25/26, 1918

My daughter's favorite movie is "Titanic". She has watched it more times than I care to count. My comment to her before she watched it for the first time was, "Why bother, you know how it ends, the boat sinks." She did not find that amusing.

And so it was reading <u>The Sinking of the Princess Sofia</u>; <u>Taking the North Down With Her</u> by Ken Coates and Bill Morrison. I knew the ending. The boat sinks, there are no survivors. Beyond that, you get into the personal stories. The passenger list reads like a "Who's Who" of prominent Northerners. For our purposes, it is interesting to note the number of business people that were on the ship, and the few that issued tokens.

The first name on the passenger list that draws our attention is Chas. Chantquist. No mention is made of him in the index., so we can only suppose that this is Chas Chanquist of The Grand in Tanana (B-1a). There is a spelling difference on the passenger list, however the next name is Sam. Chanquist, possibly a brother or son. It is noted in Benice that his business ended in 1917.





Mrs. Dan Gillis is not mentioned in the index, and there is no other information on her in the text. We do find a Dan Gillis, of Mahan and Gillis at Livengood (B-3a, no specimen available for illustration). While we speculate that this is Mrs. Dan Gillis was married to this Dan Gillis, a search of the Fairbanks newspapers could confirm or deny this assumption.

J.H. Smith and family were also listed on the passengers list of the Princess Sophia. Again, we can only speculate that this was Joseph H. Smith, one of the many owners of the Fairview Hotel Pool Hall in Fairbanks (B-19).







LOKEN

PLASKAR



There is no speculation about John Zaccarelli. He was on his way to California to be with his family, who had left the north earlier. For more information on Mr. Zaccarelli, please see the May, 1982 issue of Alaskan Token Collector & Polar Numismatist.

The authors give a brief biographical sketch of George F. Mayhood, tracing his business life from Dawson to Chatanika to Iditarod and to Ruby (see pages 6 and 20).



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#### **EDITORIAL**

This issue is accompanied by the Alaskan listings of our March 18 auction. For this reason, this is going in the mail a little early. We want all to have a reasonable opportunity to prove they are no longer playing with a full deck, and bid exorbitant amounts of money on these tokens.

While the book has been out for a while, I just read <u>The Sinking of the Princess Sophia</u> shortly after Christmas. I can no longer just read books like this for enjoyment. They must be read with an extra effort to find items for the newsletter. This is not a bad thing, and actually makes me think about what I am reading. If I didn't read for pleasure I probably would not have learned about the whaling company tokens from South Georgia Island. So, when Jerry sees me reading at the store, no matter what it is, I can claim "numismatic research!"

After a couple of weeks fighting with the new computer, the replacement modem arrived. I installed it and almost everything is hunky-dory. Still can make the new laser printer print in condensed mode from my DOS data base. Any computer wizards out there?

On the Kenton front, he is progressing slowly (I think that is the best way) and we may be invited to a parent-child weekend at the facility in Mexico around April 7. If you know of a family with a teen in crisis, please give them our phone number (907-452-6461) or our email address (akcoins@mosquitonet.com) and have them contact us.

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#### **MASONIC MEDAL**





Illustrated above is the 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Communication medal held in Anchorage February 3-4, 2000. The medal is bronze, 39mm. Sorry folks. No specimens for sale.

#### **MASONIC MEDAL**



Above is a very interesting and significant Masonic Medal from Anvil Lodge, Nome, presented Dec. 27, 1920 to J.R. Morris, Past Grand Master. It is 14Kt. gold.

#### SWIFTWATER BILL



A neat chip from Claridge Casino Hotel, Atlantic City. Part of their Gambling Legends series. It is red, pale yellow and black.

### PRINCESS SOFIA, CONT.

"People like George Mayhood....all passengers on the Princess Sophia-were members of a large, dispersed community with an economy based on the search for gold and other minerals." Mayhood issued tokens in Fairbanks (B-34a) and Ruby (B-3a). An optimist, he was going outside to visit his sons and planned to return in the spring.





Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Henry were also on the Princess Sophia. Presumed issuer of the maverick "S.H." token listed as Y2350 in Yukon Numismatica by Hill and Simpson, he had quite a career in Dawson, from teamster to grocer to farmer to rancher. It seems the Henrys could not decide if they were leaving permanently or would be returning in the spring. They sold all their household goods, only to buy them back (page 30).

Our compliments must go to the authors, Mr. Coates and Mr. Morrison. When the ending is known before you even pick up the book one had better put some interesting material in the middle. They have succeeded in doing this. We can highly recommend this book to our readers.

We have copies of the book available for \$12.95 plus \$3 shipping and insurance. If you order from our March price list, pay only one shipping charge.

#### E-MAIL SALES

We are using the internet more and more it seems. We have registered our domain name, <u>www.alaskararecoins.com</u>. This protects our business name, and we will eventually have a home page. If you go to the above address, you will get a generic "we have registered" message.

At this time, we would like to hear from those of you that have email addresses. In the future, we will be offering items like our March Sale items via email. This will allow us to offer these items more quickly, and get them into the hands of collectors in a more efficient manner.

Email us if you wish to be added to our email mailing list and we will see that you receive any of this type of price list in the future.

#### PRICES REALIZED

From the September, 1999 NATCA Show Auction.

	0.00
Anchorage 10a	9.00
Anchorage 14d	5.00
Cape Newenham 1f	15.00
Chena 1a	234.00
Circle 3a	327.00
Juneau 2b	15.00
Juneau 30a	5.00
Ketchikan 6c	5.00
Ketchikan 33a	11.00
Ketchikan 41, a-c	5.00
Kodiak 11a	65.00
Nome 26a	90.00
Nome 36a	5.00
Shishmaref 1, a-e	5.00
Skagway 2b	35.00
Teller 3d	5.00
Tonsina 1a	75.00
Yakutat, unlisted Wm. Gray 10 Cents	400.00
Dawson Tanana Hotel 25 Cents Bimetal	190.00
Whitehorse Alguire 25 Cents	80.00

Also, a 2½ Cents token from Company F, 22 Infantry, which the auction catalogue claimed was Fort Seward, Alaska sold for \$201. Mavericks like this are generally not attributable to a specific place since the military units moved around over the years, usually not spending their whole existence in a single place. In this case, the reference book, The U.S. Army in Alaska published by the U.S. Army in 1976, which purports to list all units that served in Alaska, does not show this unit.

-Ron Benice

#### M<sub>2</sub>C<sub>2</sub>

We received an interesting publication the other day - the Military Money Collectors Club newsletter. We thought it was interesting enough to get all the back issues. While heavy on Military Payment Certificates and other official mediums of exchange, they all have information on less known items. While there were no Alaskan items in any of the issues, there was enough from other areas of the world to keep us interested.

If you would like to receive the next issue, send a large, self addressed stamped envelope to M2C2, P.O. Box 26, Prairie Creek, Indiana 47869-0026

#### MARCH SALES LIST



FAIRBANKS: 1964 Kennedy Half Dollar in a plastic holder with "Alaska National Bank/Of Fairbank/John F. Kennedy" printed in gold. Obviously a promotion by the bank providing a special holder for customers wanting the new Kennedy Half Dollar. \$3.00





MASONIC MEDAL: First Annual Communication, 1982. Silver colored. \$10.00





MASONIC MEDAL: Second Annual Communication, 1983, Fairbanks, silver colored. \$15.00





\$15.00

MASONIC MEDAL: 16<sup>TH</sup> Annual Communication, 1997, North Pole. These Masonic medals are closely held and rarely available to the public. Bronze.





FOX, ALASKA: Cassiterite Placer, Inc., One Ounce Silver medal. (one only) \$25.00





JACK COGHILL: One Ounce Silver medal. Jack ran for Governor in 1994. (one only) \$30.00





**JUNEAU:** 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Moose Lodge, 1991, One Ounce Silver. \$12.00





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#### **ALASKAN TOKENS & MEDALS**

AT ACKAN TOKENC

Offered below is an assortment of outstanding Alaskan tokens, ranging from scarce to very rare, followed by other lots that may be of interest. This is the first time that some of these have been offered at public auction. For others, it has been many years since they have appeared. If you need these tokens for your collection, do not be bashful, as it will probably be years before they appear again!

AL	ASKAN TOKENS	ESTIMATE
221	Alaskan Token: Barrow, Tony's Recreation, 5 through 50¢ in trade, B-1 a-d, AU, the 5¢ has	
	some light scratches. A later set, the only trade tokens from Barrow. Four pieces.	40.00+
222	Alaskan Token: Bethel, N. C. Co., 25 (cents) and 1 (dollar), B-2 a and c, EF and VF	
222	respectively. Tokens from a popular trading company.	200.00
223	Alaskan Token: Chatanika, "Bingle Fritz" (Thomas Welch), B-1 a to c, VG, VF and EF	
224	respectively. Bi-metal tokens.	450.00
224	Alaskan Token: Circle, Collins & Strait, 1898, 10¢ in trade, B-1a, original AU with a few dark	25000
225	spots. A scarce token.  Alaskan Tokon: Cloamy Willig & Wolch 25d in trade D. 5a. Fine Dravious Landson D. 5a.	250.00
225	<b>Alaskan Token: Cleary,</b> Willis & Welch, 25¢ in trade, B-5a, Fine. Previously very rare, a small quantity has appeared on the market from the Willis estate.	50.001
226	Alaskan Token: Cordova, Windsor Hotel Bar, 12½¢ in trade, B-41c. EF, some luster.	50.00+
227	Alaskan Token: Dalby, Joe Notti, 25¢ in trade, B-1a, EF or better. A scarce token, surprisingly	300.00
	appearing now in two auctions in a row (two different specimens). It realized \$195 in the last	
	auction.	200.00
228	Alaskan Token: Fairbanks, Chisholm & Hall, 121/2¢ in trade, B-12a, Fine or better.	150.00
229	Alaskan Token: Fairbanks, Working Man's Bar, 65¢ in trade, B-57a. Many dings and nicks, but	t
	not really bad.	100.00+
230	Alaskan Token: (Flat), The Branch, Al Currie, 25¢ in trade, B-1a, Fine to VF. A scarce token,	
	probably also used at Iditarod.	200.00
231	Alaskan Token: Gambell, Reindeer Commercial Co., 1 cent to \$10, B-1 a to h. A complete set,	
	the \$10 token is quite scarce. Eight pieces.	225.00
232	Alaskan Token: Juneau, The Mecca, 61/4¢ in trade, B-50b. EF, a nice token without a hole like the	ne
222	Benice plate piece.	125.00+
233	Alaskan Token: Juneau, The Mecca, 12½¢ in trade, B-50c. VF or so, no problems.	150.00+
234	Alaskan Token: Juneau, Spicketts Smoke House, 12½¢ in trade, B-68a. EF.	150.00
235	Alaskan Token: (Kaltag), Adolph Muller, \$1 in trade, B-1c, EF with surface corrosion. Possibly	
236	a dug token, but all lettering is complete. A very scarce token.	250.00
230	Alaskan Token: Kivalina, Reindeer & Trading Co., 50¢ in trade, B-1c.VF with surface scratches	
237	and some pitting. Not as bad as it sounds. A scarce token <b>Alaskan Token: Kobuk,</b> Harry Brown, 25 and 50¢ and \$1 in trade, B-1 a-c, EF, EF and VF	200.00
251	respectively. A more common set, affordable for the beginner.	25.00
	representation set, arroradore for the beginner.	35.00

238	Alaskan Token: Koyukuk, J.W. Evans, 50¢ in trade, B-1c, AU. Nice specimen of a scarce token.	200.00
239	Alaskan Token: Koyukuk, J.W. Evans, \$10 in trade, B-1f, AU with original luster showing.	
	Another nice specimen of a scarce token.	200.00+
240	Alaskan Token: Long, Edw. C. Willis, "Bingle Long," 25 and 50¢ in merchandise, B-1 a and b,	
	AU with original luster. Neat bi-metal tokens. Previously rare, these were part of the Willis estate.	
	Two pieces.	150.00+
241	Alaskan Token: Nenana, Alfred P.J. Ghezzi, 25¢ in trade, B-3aII.	30.00
242	Alaskan Token: Nenana, Nenana Trading Post, 50¢ I/T, unlisted in Benice. XF/AU with luster, some	
	minor scratches on the reverse. At this time, this is the only specimen known.	400.00+
243	Alaskan Token: Nome, Board of Trade, 12½¢ in trade, B-8g. VF-F, a nice, but worn token.	250.00
244	Alaskan Token: Nome, North Pole Bakery, 5¢ on meal ticket, B-39a, AU or better. I wish we had	
	this piece in the last auction to make a nice set with the 10¢. If you will recall, the 5¢ in the set	
	offered had some problems.	200.00
245	Alaskan Token: Noorvik, Noorvik Cooperative Store, set of 6; 5¢ to \$5, B-1 a-f. All are EF except	
	the \$5 which is Fine.	200.00
246	Alaskan Token: Northern Commercial Co., "T" in diamond, B-3b, EF or better. Presumably for	
	use on the river steamer Tanana. Another example sold for \$260 in our last auction.	200.00
247	Alaskan Token: Northern Commercial Co., Lower Yukon Stations, \$1 in trade, B-4d. This is the	
	first specimen we have seen of this token. The condition is Fine, with accompanying marks that	
	would be expected. A rare, large and impressive token.	300.00+
248	Alaskan Token: Savoonga, Reindeer Commercial Co., set of 8, 1¢ to \$10, B-1 a-h. Relatively	
	common set, the higher denominations a bit scarcer. Average grade EF.	125.00
249	Alaskan Token: Selavik, Louis Rotman, 25 and 50¢ in trade, B-2 a and b. EF or better, 2 pcs.	75.00
250	Alaskan Token: Shishmaref, Shishmaref Native Store set of 5, 5¢ to \$1, B-1 a-e, EF or so. An	
	affordable set for the beginner.	40.00
251	Alaskan Token: Tanana, Timothy's Place, 25¢ in trade, B-10a. Dug and corroded.	200.00
252	Alaskan Token: Teller, North Star Mercantile, 5¢ and \$1, B-2 a and d, VF or better. Red fiber	
	tokens from the War years. The 5¢ is quite scarce.	100.00
253	Alaskan Token: Copper River & Northwestern Railway, metallic identification chit, B-C5a. A	
	neat piece of railroadiana.	50.00+

#### ALASKAN CARDBOARD AND PAPER TOKENS ESTIMATE

Cardboard and paper tokens are the "poor relations" to metal tokens. Because of the material, they deteriorate more quickly, and have (in most cases) a lower survival rate than metal tokens. Offered here are some very scarce items, and some that are unlisted. Look this listing over carefully, and bid liberally.

254	Alaskan Token: Brooks/Livengood, Livengood Inn, 25 c in trade, B-2a. Offered here are three specimens of this token, in yellow (as listed in Benice), cream and white. These unlisted colors may be due to fading. The first two look nearly new, the white token looks to have been wet, and the front and back layers may be separating from the central core.	100.00
255	Alaskan Token: Brooks/Livengood, The New Deal, 25 c in trade, B-4a. Cardboard token with	
	a metal ring, cardboard pierced for hanging.	100.00
256	Alaskan Token: (Candle), Keewalik Bar/Sourdough Roadhouse, 25 c in trade, B-3a. Nice condition.	100.00
257	Alaskan Token: (Cordova), The Club, 12½ c, B-7a. Nice condition cardboard token.	50.00
258	Alaskan Token: (Cordova), Terminal Cigar Store, 12½¢ in trade, unlisted in Benice. Black on	
	green cardboard. As this token does not say Cordova, it should be noted that there is also a	
	Terminal Cigar Store in Nenana.	100.00+
259	Alaskan Token: Eagle, Eagle Trading Co., \$5 Coupon Book, B-1e. This book contains (20) 5¢ chits, (15) 10¢ chits and (10) 25¢ chits. This is booklet #60, and it is virtually mint with very	
	little fading.	250.00+
260	Alaskan Token: (Fairbanks), Alaska Roller Rink Co., Cloak Checks. Unlisted in Benice. Black on	
	red cardboard, Interesting piece, some fading.	100.00+
261	Alaskan Token: (Fairbanks), American Legion, Days of '98, 1940. \$1 and \$5. Unlisted in Benice.  Probably gambling "money" for the Days of '98 celebration. These have been wet and are stained,	
	but are totally legible. Two pieces.	100.00+

#### ALASKAN CARDBOARD AND PAPER TOKENS

**ESTIMATE** 

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	Alaskan Token: (Fairbanks), The Chena Club, 5 cents, unlisted in Benice. This piece is similar to the more recent military chits. Black on yellow, thin cardboard.	50.00+
263	Alaskan Token: (Fairbanks), Creamer's Dairy, 1 Pint and 1 Quart of milk, B-13 a and b. These have	
	small stickers on the back mis-attributing them to Anchorage.	100.00+
264	Alaskan Token: (Fairbanks), Flame Room, 50 cents in trade, black on yellow, rectangular. Unlisted	
	in Benice. Nice token, probably from the 40s or 50s.	100.00+
265	Alaskan Token: (Fairbanks), Model Bakery, 5 for \$1, B-36a. This token is an excellent example of the fragility of cardboard. This is dirty and worn, all legible. Ron Benice in his book Alaska Tokens only values this piece at \$5. We have been in the token business for over 20 years, and this is the only specimen of this piece that we have seen. Perhaps Ron knows more than we do	25.00
266	(this would not be unusual).	25.00
266	Alaskan Token: Fox, John Metzgar & Co., 25¢ in trade, B-3a, with the countersignature "Rede" on the back. Worn, but all lettering is legible.	100.00+
267	Alaskan Token: (Ketchikan), Bingle Club, 12½ c, six cardboard tokens. Unlisted in Benice. These	100.00
	tokens were discovered in Ketchikan in 1984. There can be little doubt that they are Ketchikan tokens. Six pieces are offered, at least three different colors, two different designs. There may be more colors, or the variations may be caused by fading. Interesting token using the term "Bingle."	100.00+
268	Alaskan Token: Nenana, Smoke House, 12½¢ in trade, B-7a. A nice specimen, some fading.	100.00+
269	<b>Alaskan Token: Nenana,</b> Smoke House, 25¢ in trade, B-7b. Some surface problems, some lettering missing, but overall acceptable.	100.00+
270	Alaskan Token: (Port Alexander), Knute Dalsbo, 5 cts., 25 cts., and 25 c, B-2 a-c. Cardboard	100.00
270	tokens, nice condition with a little wear.	100.00
271	Alaskan Token: (Skagway), B.P.O.E. 12½ c good only at Buffet, B-2c.	40.00
272	Alaskan Token: (Valdez), Pinzon, 5 c white, 12½ c red and 15 c green, B-16 all, b, and cll. All nice	
	cardboard tokens, the 15 c has "Valdez" hand written on the front.	75.00
AL	ASKA MEDALS	IMATE
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273	Alaska Statehood GOLD Medal, 1959. We have handled only a few of these in our two decades. Authorized by the State of Alaska (Concurrent resolution #15), 100 were minted and released through the Coin and Currency Institute in New York City, the sole distributor. They were struck by the Medallic Art Co., and weighed 7 troy ounces total weight, .900 fine. This is the king of Alaska medals and this is a rare opportunity to own one. The serial number is on the rim, with this being one of the lowest we have seen (#11).  4,500.00	0-5,000.00
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State of Alaska 1/10 oz. Silver Medals, a partial collection. These include, with mintages in paren-

thesis: 1989 (1,934), 1990 (1,600), 1991 (unknown), 1993 (862), 1994 (1,550), 1995 (3,000) and 1996 (2,355). The first three years were thinner with a larger diameter. From 1922 forward

the thickness increased and the diameter decreased. This is a great start to a neat set. 7 pcs.

about the merchants that purchased spaces on the board. Circa 1980, still shrink wrapped.

Iditarod 1oz. Silver Medal, 1991. Limited to 2,000, now listed at \$150 in the original case.

The Fairbanks Alaska Trivia Game. A trivia game based on Fairbanks, including questions

assemble, the fractionals being particularly elusive. Some pieces toned.

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#### YUKON PAPER POTPOURRI



WHITEHORSE: Super A Foods, 1 Tempo buck. Blue and red on white. 152mm by /0mm (submitted by Jim Robb).

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WHITEHORSE: Yukon Alaska Log Works, \$1000 Savings Certificate. Black on tan, 208mm by 89mm. This is the

largest value trade item we have seen! (Dave Gyles).



WHITEHORSE: Happy Days Handbag & Luggage Company, \$2 back on \$10. Black on hot pink, 88mm by 50mm (submitted by Dave Gyles).



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### IRON HORSE GRILL

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The first five chews get you 50% off.

Chew Chew Chew Chew Chew

Chew Chew Chew Chew Chew

Ten chews get you a meal for free!

WHITEHORSE: Iron Horse Grill, Discount Punch Card. Blue, red and black on white, 94mm by 60mm (submitted by Jim Robb).

## FOR THE RECORD - B.P.O.E. (ELKS) TOKENS - PART 1:





**EAGLE RIVER:** Lodge #2682, one drink, 41mm, gold on blue plastic.





**EAGLE RIVER:** Lodge #2682, one drink, brass, 34mm.





HAINES: Elks Club #2634, one drink, black on wood.





**HAINES:** Elks Club #2634, one drink token, bronze, 38mm.





**HAINES:** Elks Club #2634, one drink token, bronze, 37mm, thin planchet.





**KENAI:** 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention, Have 1 on us, black on red plastic, 38mm. Dark copy, cannot read date.





**KENAI:** Lodge No. 2425, Alaska State Elks Convention, 1996. Bronze, 38mm.





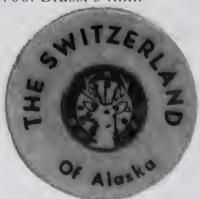
PALMER: Lodge 1842, one drink, brass, 34mm.





**SOLDOTNA:** Elks Lodge 2706. Brass, 34mm





VALDEZ: Lodge #2537, \$1.50, black on tan plastic, 39mm.

Submitted by Roy Brown of Roy's Coins and Kurtis Hawk

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# PROSPERITY IN PUNTA ARENAS

At the turn of the last century Punta Arenas, Chile, was a bustling sea port. Located at the tip of the mainland of South America on the Strait of Magellan, it was a port of call for many of the ships making the passage. Before the opening of the Panama Canal, shipping from the Atlantic to the Pacific either went through the Strait, or rounded Cape Horn. Neither choice was an easy trip. The Pacific entrance to the Strait was very hazardous. Rounding the Horn was a battle except in the best of weather. The advent of steam powered vessels made both easier, but still not pleasant.

Punta Arenas was not only a major port, but it was the primary commercial center for Tierra del Fuego, the island across the Strait of Magellan that is divided between Chile and Argentina. The prosperity created by these two components can be seen in the post cards below, showing the homes and business establishments. Also shown is a medal from "La Sociedad Anonima Importadora y Exportadora de la Patagonia, probably an Argentine company with offices in Punta Arenas.





Casa Commercial de Jose Menendez



Palacio M. Braun y Consulado de E.U. de A.



S.A. Importadora y Exportadora de la Patagonia

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North of 60°

South of 50°

#### **EDITORIAL**

In this issue of ATC&PN, we take you south. Not quite as far south as you can go, but close. We have shown you the Punta Arenas note before, but now we have some supporting items to go with it.

For you purists that want only information on Alaska tokens and medals, I think we have supplemented this issue nicely with new and old items.

We had hoped that we would be able to produce this issue without the time honored "clip and paste" method, cutting and pasting photocopies. We think by the next issue, we should be able to scan anything on hand and insert it in the text.

We are still waiting for a deal at OfficeMax on color copies. We have a neat article waiting in the wings, but want to do the front page in color. Office Depot was planning a store for Fairbanks, and has now decided not to do so. This has decreased OfficeMax's competitive drive, and they haven't run a special on color copies since January.

About half the upcoming articles are Alaskan or Yukon. Other subject areas are Antarctica, Faroe Islands, Tierra del Fuego. We know that you would like to see more Alaskan and Yukon, however, submissions of articles is way down. If you can provide the basic information, we can turn it into an article, and we all will be the wiser for your sharing this information.

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#### **OBITUARY**

A reader provided a clipping from the Anchorage Daily News:

"Longtime Kenai resident Ethel "Eadie" Henderson, 73, died Jan. 27, 2000 at Central Peninsula General Hospital in Soldotna.

"Ms. Henderson was born April 18, 1926, in Youngstown Ohio.

"Her family wrote that she came to Alaska as a young woman who homesteaded on the Kenai. She was well-known for one of her first businesses on the North Road, The Last Frontier-Dine & Dance, which began in the early 1950s. It is now known as Eadie's Pawn, Hotel and Liquor Store. She loved dance, entertaining and story-telling. Most important, she was always willing to help anyone in need.

"Ms. Henderson was a member of the Eagles, Pioneers of Alaska, and has her history in the book "Once upon the Kenai" and articles in We Alaskans as well as many out-of-state newspaper articles. She was once presented the Key to the City by the Kenai Chamber of Commerce. Ms. Henderson has been a constant contributor to many charities and fondly known as "Unforgettable Eadie." Her generosity will be remembered in the hearts of the many who knew her, her family said.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be sent to the Eadie Henderson Dance Scholarship Program, P.O. Box 85, Kenai, Alaska, 99611."

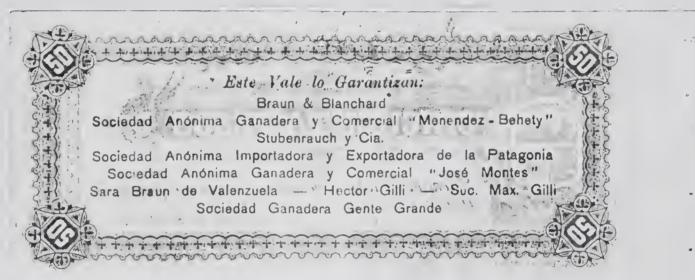


Eadie issued many tokens that have been documented in ATC&PN through the years.

## PUNTA ARENAS, cont.

The businesses and homes on the front page belonged to prominent merchants. In 1914, there was apparently a banking crisis, or at least a shortage of currency. These businesses were called upon to back a currency issue, much like the merchants in Fairbanks and Nome backed a currency issue in 1907.





The 50 Pesos note shown above (reduced size, actual size 210mm by 83mm) is printed in brown on the front. The legend loosely translates "Current money in agreement with public law No. 228 of this date. Punta Arenas, August 7, 1914." It carries the watermark "Banco de Punta Arenas."

The back of the note is printed in orange. The legend begins with "This bond guarantees it" - the merchants listed below are guaranteeing the value of the note. Among them are Braun de Valenzuela, Braun, Menendez and Sociedad Anomina Importadora y Exportadora de la Patagonia. A "Sociedad Anonima" is like our corporation. "Ganadera" is a cattle dealer, probably including sheep, as sheep ranching was the major economic activity on Tierra del Fuego.

Your editor purchased this note about 15 years ago from a Henry Christensen auction. Within a couple of months, another specimen appeared at auction in the US, prompting fears of a hoard of remainders (the two specimens offered were unissued). No other specimens have appeared to our knowledge. These are not listed in the <u>Standard Catalogue of World Paper Money</u>. Reportedly, a freezer plant in Rio Grande, Tierra del Fuego, Argentina also paid in "Vales" (promissary notes) until about 1934.

With the opening of the Panama Canal in 1914, the importance of Punta Arenas declined. Punta Arenas is now a city of about 110,000. It now attracts ships from the growing south Atlantic fishery, and is a prominent port of call and gateway for vessels going to the Antarctic, both scientific and tourist. Palacio Mauricio Braun is now a museum.

#### PRICES REALIZED

Below are the prices realized in our March 18th auction.

Lot	Description	PR
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221	Barrow, B-1 a-d	42 250mh*
222	Bethel, B-2 a and c	250mb*
223	Chatanika B-1 a and c	200
224	Circle, B-1a	320mb*
225	Cleary, B-5a	2151 *
226 227	Cordova, B-41c	315mb*
227	Dalby, B-1a	120mb
228	Fairbanks, B-12a	65
229	Fairbanks, B-57a	120mb*
230	Flat, B-1a	240mb*
231	Gambell, B-1 a to h set of 8	110
232	Juneau, B-50b	132mb*
233	Juneau, B-50c	230mb*
234	Juneau, B-68a	190mb*
232 233 234 235	Kaltag, B-1c	310mb*
236	Kivalina, B-1c	165mb*
237	Kobuk, B-1 a to c	30
238	Koyukuk, B-1c	260mb
239	Koyukuk, B-1f	275mb*
240	Long, B-1 a and b	175mb*
241	Nenana, B-3aII	15
242	Nenena, B-5, unlisted denomination	725mb*
243	Nome, B-8g	210mb*
244	Nome, B-39a	210mb*
245	Noorvik, B-1 a to f, set of 6	100
246	Northern Commercial Co., B-3b	275mb*
247	Northern Commercial Co., B-4d	440mb*
248	Sayoonga, B-1 a to h, set of 8	30
249	Selavik, B-1 a and b	55
250	Shishmaref, B-1 a to e	30
251	Tanana, B-10a	215mb*
252	Teller, B-2 a and d	40
253	CR&NW RR, B-C5a	75mb
254	Brooks/Livengood, B-2a	25
255	Brooks/Livengood, B-4a	122mb*
256	Candle, B-3a	90mb*
257	Cordova, B-7a	40mb
257 258	Cordova (or Nenana) unlisted	160mb*
259	Eagle, B-1e	260mb*
260	Fairbanks, Alaska Roller Rink	140mb*
261	Fairbanks, American Legion	100mb*
262	Fairbanks, Chena Club	60mb*
263	Fairbanks, B-13 a and b	100mb*
264	Fairbanks, Flame Room	130mb*
265	Fairbanks, B-36a	35mb
266		135mb*
267	Fox, B-3a Ketchikan, Bingle Club	
268	Ketchikan, Bingle Club	160mb* 120mb
269	Nenana, B-7a	
	Nenana, B-7b	110mb*
270	Port Alexander, B-2 a to c	100mb*
271 272 273	Skagway, B-2c	20 60mb*
272	Valdez, B-16 all, b and cll	60mb*
274	Alaska Gold Statehood Medal	4,000
274	Fairbanks Trade Dollar, silver	35 100mb*
275	Alaska State Medal Collection	190mb*
276	State Medal Set, 1990	50
277	Alaska 1/10 oz. silver medals	45
278	Iditarod silver medal, 1991	40
293	Fairbanks Trivia Game	32

An "mb" after the price indicates that the lot was sold to the a mail bidder. An \* indicates that the maximum bid was reduced. Bid reductions saved mail bidders on the Alaskan items a total of \$1,176.

#### 1999 MINTAGES

The Alaska Mint has announced the final mintages for the 1999 Alaska State medals as follows:

One ounce Silver Proof	8,414
One ounce Silver Matte	1,080
½ ounce Silver	1,030
1/4 ounce Silver	1,259
1/10 ounce Silver	1,571
1/20 ounce Silver	1,023
Two ounce Silver (new product)	357
One ounce Gold Proof	187
½ ounce Gold Proof	106
1/10 ounce Gold Proof	239
1/20 ounce Gold Proof	148
Three ounce Gold (new product)	19

#### 2000 MEDALS AVAILABLE



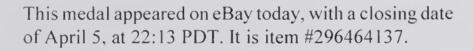
This year's medal feature the red fox. All sizes and metals are available at the following prices.

One ounce Silver Proof	\$30.00	
One ounce Silver Matte	\$17.00	
½ ounce Silver	\$10.00	
1/4 ounce Silver	\$8.50	
1/10 ounce Silver	\$5.00	
1/20 ounce Silver	\$5.00	
Two ounce Silver (new product)	unknown	
One ounce Gold Proof	\$395.00	
½ ounce Gold Proof	\$250.00	
1/10 ounce Gold Proof	\$85.00	
1/20 ounce Gold Proof	\$55.00	
Three ounce Gold (new product)	unknown	

Please include \$3 per order for shipping and handling.

### PATAGONIA, MALVINAS, FALKLANDS MEDALS ON eBAY





The obverse states Campana del Rio Negro Y Patagonia, 1878 (Campaign of the Rio Negro and Patagonia). The reverse has the legend La Nacion Al Ejericito del Sud, 1881 (National Army of the South). It is suspended from a blue/white/blue ribbon. Size was not stated.

We had not seen anything like this, and it is just fortuitous that it was posted at this time, when we have a newsletter featuring items from this region.

An Argentine Falklands (Malvinas) War medal was posted at about the same time. It is item 296464136 and closes at the same time.

Another seller has listed a "copy" of the British South Atlantic medal. It is item #292450718, closing on April 4 at 10:50 PDT.

There was a neat pair of medals on eBay a while back

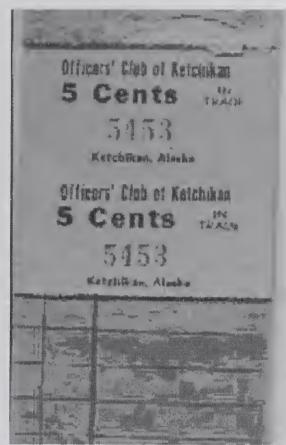




relating to the Falkland Islands and World War I. We will be doing an article on these medals in an upcoming issue.

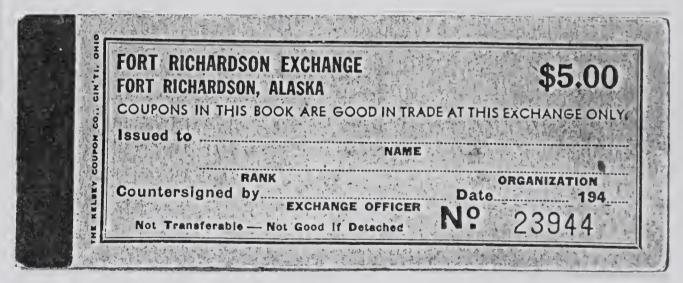
#### TWO NEW "CHIT" BOOKLETS





**KETCHIKAN:** Officer's Club of Ketchikan. The chit booklet above and chits to the left recently appeared on eBay. Only the 5 Cents chits were present. There were probably other values in the booklet. A close examination where the chits were separated from the booklet should show other colors of cardboard, and the values could be determined. The 5 Cents chits are yellow, the booklet cover is either a tan or yellow.

It is interesting that these just keep popping up! Can anyone shed any light as to what type of Officer's Club this was - Army, Navy, Coast Guard???



**FORT RICHARDSON:** Fort Richardson Exchange, \$5 booklet. Note the date on the cover starts 194\_, indicating use in the 1940s, earlier than other Alaskan military cardboard tokens. The 1 cent denomination is also unusual. The colors of the chits are as follows: 1 Cent - beige; 5 Cents - brown; 10 Cents - tan; and 25 Cents - red. Submitted by Ronald J. Benice









1 Cent

5 Cents

10 Cents

25 Cents

#### MILITARY CORNER





(Elmendorf A.F.B.), 90th Fighter Squadron, Pair-O-Dice. Commander's chip. Red with top hat and cane border, 40mm (submitted by Bryan Cleary).





SOUTH CENTRAL ALASKA AREA: Combined Federal Campaign, A Gold Mine of Hopes and Dreams. Bronze, 41mm (submitted by Bryan Cleary).





CLEAR: Clear Air Station, 13th Space Warning Squadron, Sentinel of Space. Bronze, 40mm (submitted by Bryan Cleary).

See, the "whackos" were right! We have a facility to defend us from aliens. And this is the 13th Space Warning Squadron - there are at least 12 others!!!! Does "Area 51" have a challenge coin? Clear Air Station is a major radar facility, one of he sites under consideration for the proposed missile defense system. We are trying to obtain samples of the Clear medal.

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#### FOR THE RECORD





**ANCHORAGE:** VFW Post #9981, good for one drink. Two varieties, same design: black on white plastic and black on yellow plastic (sub. by K. Hawk/R. Brown).





ANCHORAGE: VFW Post 9981, good for one draft beer. Black on wood (submitted by K. Hawk/R. Brown).





ANCHORAGE: VFW Post #9981, good for one drink. Red aluminum, 32mm (sub. by K. Hawk/R. Brown).





ANCHORAGE: VFW Capt. ??? G. Lee Memorial Post 1685, 33<sup>rd</sup> & Spenard. Good for one Drink. Black on wood. Very dark copy, drink side from another wood (submitted by Kurtis Hawk and Roy Brown).





SITKA: Columbia Bar, one rain check. Set of 2: red on wood and blue on wood (sub. by K. Hawk/R. Brown).

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# ALASKA IN (4LULOID

And we're not talking about movies! Pictorial celluloid advertising items from Alaska are quite rare and very collectible. Most specimens are mirrors, but there are also match safes and tape measures.

The most prolific issuer of celluloid advertising was Willis & Welch of Chatanika. They issued the only celluloid trade token, a two faced piece featuring a native mother nursing her children on one side and a dog team scene on the other (see Alaska Tokens, Chatanika B-4a). It seems the majority of these items that are known came from the estates of the sons of Edward C. Willis.



Front



Common Back

**Match Safes** 

with one million dollars gold dust.

Bottom: A Yukon Malemute, Alaskan Horse

Top: Ben Dowing on trail to Dawson



Front





#### **Tape Measure**

A Native Alaskan Taking His Bath (on both match safe and tape measure) Cleary Creek Miners taking a million dollars in gold dust to Fairbanks

All carry in small lettering: Mad for Willis & Welch, Fairbanks, Alaska

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#### **EDITORIAL**

First things first. There was a page numbering error in the last issue. Please change the last page from number 25 to 32.

This month we show you a nice assortment of celluloid advertising items. By far the most popular are the pocket mirrors. Other items include match safes, tape measures and hand held mirrors. As is usually the case, there are probably more out there that we don't know about.

The University of Alaska Rifle team captured its third, yes, third NCAA National Championship. A medal noting these championships in 1994, 1999, and 2000 can be found elsewhere in this issue. It should be noted that UAF has also been the runner-up in four years since 1991, losing the national championship in one of those years on a self-reported technicality. Profits from the sale of these medals go to support the Rifle Team.

We visited with Kenton the first of April. It was a disappointing visit. He is still struggling with his adoption issues. We were afraid he would crash and burn after our visit, but seemed to be doing well later in the week. A high percentage of the kids in the program are adopted, and they are starting to address this problem. If any of you have, or have friends or relatives with young adopted children, I would suggest reading the book "Primal Wound" by Nancy Verrier (www.alldirect.com). I wish we had known about it 10 years ago. Any questions, don't hesitate to call, write or e-mail.

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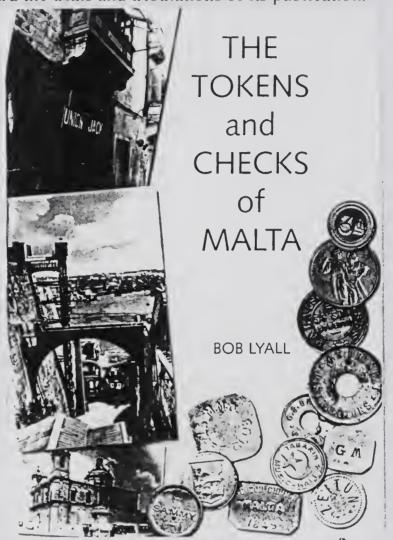
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#### **BOOK REVIEW**

It is always fun to get a new book on tokens, any tokens, from anywhere. It is especially fun when you have known the author (by mail) for some time, and have heard the trials and tribulations of its publication.



"The Tokens & Checks of Malta" is 40 pages long, soft bound glossy, photographic cover. Over 95 tokens are listed. There are 75 photos, approximately 60 of tokens. Other photos are of the business establishments that issued the tokens, and their owners.

Tokens are listed alphabetically by issuer, with a descriptions of the obverse and reverse, metal, size and collection source. No rarity or value is given.

Malta is strategically located between Sicily (Italy) and the north African coast. Its current population is about 400,000. Malta was isolated, but never invaded during World War II, suffering massive bombings. Many cardboard tokens were issued at this time to alleviate a shortage of small coinage.

This is Mr. Lyall's second book on tokens, the first being "The Tokens, Checks, Metallic Tickets, Passes, and Tallies of the British Caribbean & Bermuda."

Your editor is accepting orders from US addresses for the author. The cost is \$10, payable to Dick Hanscom. Books will be posted directly from the author.



Willis & Welch used the Ben Downing illustration on both round and oval mirrors. The Cleary Creek miners design is seen on round mirrors, as is the Yukon Malamute.

Three different designs of hand held mirrors are known from M.E. Martin of Ketchikan, all dated 1915. One is shown at 100% size and the others are at 50%.





William Stubbins of Douglas issued a mirror similar to one of the Martin mirrors. This is shown at 50% size.



Finally, a non-Alaskan mirror from "The Klondike", Bath, New York, good for 10¢ in trade.

Other Alaskan mirrors are known, and some of these are in Appendix C of "Alaska Tokens" by Ron Benice.

Our thanks to Alan Weinberg, Richard Reisinger and Ron Benice for providing illustrations used in this article.

## MAY'S ITEMS FOR SALE





ALASCOM AURORA: One ounce silver medal. \$10





ALASCOM AURORA II: One oz. silver medal. \$15





CLEAR AIR STATION: 13<sup>th</sup> Space Warning Squardron. Bronze, 40mm \$8





FAIRBANKS: Eskimo Olympics, 1965, set of sterling silver and bronze. Regular price - \$20 Special - \$10





ALASKA SILVER ANNIVERSARY: 1 oz. silver.

Map/Cache.





**FAIRBANKS:** University of Alaska Fairbanks Rifle Team, National Champions 1994, 1999, 2000. One oz. silver, Numbered (100 only) \$50; unnumbered \$35.





**SITKA:** Chamber of Commerce Trade Dollar, 1963, sterling silver. \$20

Order from: ARC, P.O. Box 72832, Fairbanks, AK 99707. Please include \$3 for postage per order.

#### **KOTZEBUE A-GO-GO**





Cash Coin Connection has acquired a quantity of these scarce tokens. They are available as follows:

Cun #	Ben #	Denom.	Metal	Price
AK420A-5	B-2a	5 cents	Brass	15.00
AK420B-10	B-2b	10 cents	Brass	10.00
AK420C-25	B-2c	25 cents	Brass	10.00
AK420D-100	B-2e	\$1	Brass	10.00
AK420 unl	unl	5 cents	Aluminum	15.00
AK420 unl	unl	25 cents	Aluminum	10.00
AK420E-100	B-2d	\$1	Aluminum	10.00

Seven (7) token set, \$70, Five (5) or more sets \$50 each, postpaid with insurance. Single pieces, 1-5, include \$1.40 for postage.

Order from: Cash Coin Connection

P.O. Box 122 Sartell, MN 56377

#### MILITARY CORNER





ELMENDORF A.F.B.: 3<sup>rd</sup> Wing, Eighty Years of Excellence, 1919-1999, ready for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. Enamaled bronze, 41mm. The Maltese crosses indicated the 19 German aircraft downed by the group's original squadrons during World War I. The green and black were the colors of the original Air Service. They are split like the Rio Grande splits the United States and Mexican border, by blue and gold, the colors of the Air Force today. Finally, the cactus is a reminder that from its beginning the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wing has and always will protect the borders of America.





**ELMENDORF A.F.B.:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Logistics Support Sq., Dedicated to Excellence. The Commander's Coin for Excellence. Undated (1999), enameled front and back, bronze, 40mm.

Bryan Cleary

#### FOR THE RECORD





**ANCHORAGE:** The Restaurant, 1974. Reverse has address, ship and 1788, the year of Cook's visit. Bronze, 25mm.



**FAIRBANKS:** Tanana Valley Clinic, 2 Troy Ounces 999+ Fine Silver. Apparently made from recycled silver from the TVC labs.





**TOK:** Tok Lodge "Alaska's Finest," Good for a Drink. Brass, 32mm.

#### "ALASKA - THE LAST FRONTIER" Official U.S. Stamp & Special Medal



There are only 50,000 of this stamp/medal in existence, never to be issued again.

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## PRICES REALIZED

Ron Benice reports that in the Stack's March 15 auction, lot 625, a 25 Kopeks Russian-America Company note, heavily soiled, illegible serial number, sold for \$2990.

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551 SECOND AVE., SUITE B FAIRBANKS, ALASKA 99701 ALASKA: "Alaska - The Last Frontier, Official U.S. Stamp and Special Medal. Issued exclusively from the Charleston Mint, Brevard, NC 26712 (still in business!). Officially licensed by the James Madison Memorial Foundation. There are only 50,000 of this stamp/medal in existence, never to be issued again. Copyright 1992." The medal, with the Alaska state seal, is very thin, probably uniface (it is glued to the card), possibly gold. The card is perforated in the center.

Editorial comment: With 50,000, one would think there would not be a need to issue it again. We can't imagine trying to locate 50,000 of the Wildlife Conservation stamp. Perhaps they used other stamps also.

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## VILLAGE MONEY



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Every summer, tourists come into our store and see our display of Alaska tokens. The usual question is "Why were they issued?" To those of us who collect Alaska tokens, the answer is obvious - they were the medium of exchange on the Alaska frontier. There was very little legal tender in the form of coins and currency. In fact, natives in the Yukon Territory preferred the tokens of Taylor, Drury & Pedlar long after "steamboat" money (Canadian coins and currency) became available. From the Preface of the second edition of "Alaska's Coinage Through the Years" we read "It is alleged that the use of tokens in Alaska was made illegal when a resident of Alaska tried to buy stamps with them in a Seattle, Washington Post Office and was shocked to learn that they were not acceptable. The tokens had "legal tender" status only in the Territory of Alaska."

The most popular among collectors are those that are associated with the gold rush. Many previously Alaskan native villages became boom towns, if only for a year or less, as gold hunters stormed from one gold rush to the next. But there were other villages that did not experience these booms. Villages that were not "corrupted" by the stampeders, saloons and whorehouses. These villagers were served by one or two general merchants. These merchants many times issued their own "coinage" in the form of tokens. These merchants were not only merchants, but also the local "bank" and many times the post office.

One set of tokens comes to mind for me when I think about a small village are those of Gil McIntyre of Eek. We gave some brief information on these in the very first issue of Alaskan Token Collector & Polar Numismatist. Gil McIntyre was from Wisconsin who came to Alaska and married an Eskimo woman. According to grandsons Chuna and Gilbert (the men are cousins, not brothers), these tokens were in use until the early 1960s. As children, they played with the tokens and lost them in the tundra.

In looking through "Alaska Tokens" by Ron Benice, we find Ferguson Stores listed under Kotzebue. Kotzebue is a large village, but Ferguson Stores were also located in Deering, Kiana, Kobuk/Shungnak and Selawik. Kobuk and Selawik also had other merchants, but Ferguson Stores could be considered a "village chain store." Their tokens did not bear a location name and were presumably valid at all locations.

Other merchants that operated with common tokens at differing locations are D.W. Lewis (listed under Yukokakat) and and F. Kern Stores (listed under Andreafsky).

These merchants and others provided goods to remote parts of Alaska, overcoming communication and transportation problems that we can only begin to imagine in these days of instant communication and air shipping. Customers would order goods on the "last boat out" in the fall, and know that these goods would not arrive until the following spring or summer. The village store was an important life line that should not be forgotten. "Alaska Tokens" by Ron Benice is more than a token book. It is a history book. Collectors should read it as such.

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#### **EDITORIAL**

We took last month as one of our two months off, and it is taking a bit longer to get back into the swing. This will go in the mail a little later than I would like it to.

I end the front page article with the advice that "Alaska Tokens" by Ron Benice is more than just a token book. that it is a history book. How many of you open it up only to find tokens and to see what they are worth? How many of you have not really read the descriptions given for the merchants? How many of you have asked yourself why a token is listed, but here is absolutely no information about the issuer?

You can open a token book and see only tokens and values. Or, you can see the history, brief though it may be, of each issue. In some cases you learn that the issuer also issued tokens in three other locations (J.W. Little). In other cases, you learn that a business had so many owners that it is impossible to attribute it to a specific owner (Horseshoe Saloon, Fairbanks). And yet in other cases, you learn absolutely nothing (McCreedy & Elliott, Skagway).

But with absolutely no information, you still learn something. You question how a business that would issue seven values of tokens from 5 cents to \$10 could turn up such a complete blank when being researched.

There are still areas requiring research. Here is your opportunity to jump in there and see what you can discover, and then share it with other collectors.

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#### **CURRENT READINGS**

My wife went on an "all woman" fishing trip to Valdez earlier this summer. It is a long, full day drive from Fairbanks, and you pass through some boring and some spectacular areas.

There is history along the way also. She picked up "A Visitor's Guide to Kennicott & McCarthy." It also includes information on Kenny Lake, Chitina, Copper Center, Glennallen, Paxson and Valdez.



The 36 page, mostly advertising, booklet is free to people passing through the area, but can also be ordered by mail from Kenyon Services, McCarthy, P.O. Box MXY, Glennallen, AK 99588 for only \$1.50. Easily worth the asking price.

The Spring/Fall 1999 issue of "Alaska History," published by the Alaska Historical Society, has an article titled John K. Hajdukovich and the Tetlin Indians, 1924-1941 by C. Michael Brown. Hajdukovich is of interest to us because he is thought to be the issuer of the Nebesna Trading Co. tokens. In 1932, he bought out Milo Hajdukovich's trading properties at Tanana Crossing, Tetlin and Nabesna. By 1937, another trader, Herman Kessler was trading at all the upper Tanana villages also. No mention is made in the text of the article to the Nebesna Trading Co., so it is of no help in establishing who issued the tokens.



The article is 24 pages, with an additional 5 pages of footnotes. Information on this publication is available from the Alaska Historical Society, P.O. Box 100299, Anchorage, AK 99510-0299.

#### YUKON CIGAR TOKENS EXAMINED

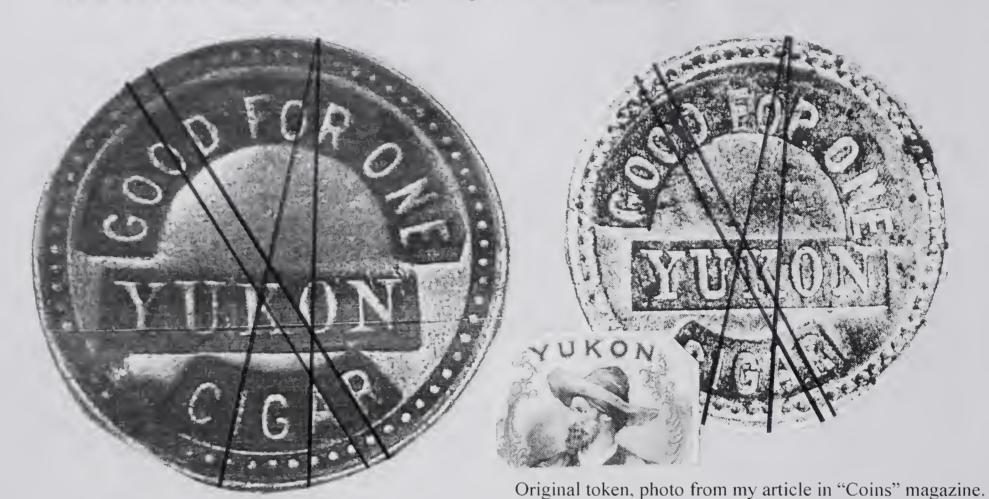


Photo from eBay

In the April, 1990 issue of Alaskan Token Collector & Polar Numismatist, we introduced you to the "Yukon Cigar" token. This interesting uniface token was manufactured by the use of pre-engraved punches, rather than the use of a die. The question at the time was "were two punches used, or three?"

Another specimen of this token appeared on eBay earlier this year. This specimen allows us to compare the two and determine whether two or three punches were used.

Note the illustrations above. I have used the straight edges of the letters in "CIGAR" to make lines to the opposite edge of the token. Given that the illustration from eBay is a bit out of round, and taking into account human error, I think that the lettering lines up closely enough for me to assume that "GOOD FOR ONE" and "CIGAR" were part of the same punch.

Now, another question arises. Are there other tokens out there, good for a cigar, but not a Yukon cigar, using this same punch?

This leads me back to an assumption that I make when looking at the "Totem" and "Fritz" tokens from Cleary. Both bear the name, with a star above and below. Could these have been made on the spot by a traveling manufacturer?

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SEWARD: 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention, 1967. Good for \$1





SITKA: Alaska's first capital, Drink Token. Bronze,





WRANGELL: Lodge 1595, Benevolent & Protective Order of Elks. Type I and Type II. Bronze, 34mm.

## FOR THE RECORD - B.P.O.E. (ELKS) TOKENS: PART 2:





ALASKA/WASHINGTON: Frank O. Garland, Grand Exalted Ruler 1984-1985. Bronze, 38mm.





ANCHORAGE: Elks Lodge No. 1351, Good for one free drink. Bronze, 40mm.





ANCHORAGE: 1351. Two colors: black on yellow and black on red 40mm.





**ANCHORAGE:** 1351, B.P.O.E. Two colors: yellow chip with white insert, red printing and blue chip with white insert, brown printing,40mm.





**ANCHORAGE:** 1351(Elk head). Two colors: gold on yellow and gold on white, 39mm





**ANCHORAGE:** State Elks Association Annual Convention, 1988. Bronze, 38mm

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ANCHORAGE
ALASKA

GOOD FOR
ONE
COMPLIMENTARY
DRINK
ON US

**ANCHORAGE:** Elks Lodge 1351, Good for one complimentary drink. Green on white plastic, 38mm.





FAIRBANKS: Elks Lodge 1551. Brass, 34mm.





**FAIRBANKS:** Elks Lodge 1551. One wooden Buck, Red on wood.





**FAIRBANKS:** PER 1551. Three colors: gold on blue, gold on cream and gold on salmon, 40mm

## FOR THE RECORD, ELKS CONT.





**FAIRBANKS:** BPOE 1351. Two colors: gold on white and gold on yellow, 40mm





**FAIRBANKS:** State Elks Association Convention, 1978. Brass, 34mm.





**FAIRBANKS:** State Elks Association Convention, 1991. Brass, 34mm.





**HOMER:** Elks Lodge 2127, Good for one drink. Black on wood obverse, purple Elk emblem on reverse.





JUNEAU: Mother Lodge of Alaska, Worth \$2 in Trade. Black on wood.





KODIAK: Alaska State Elks Convention, 1987. Bronze,





KODIAK: 26th Alaska Elks Convention, 1974, cupro-





PETERSBURG: Elks Lodge #1615, Good for one free drink. Bronze, 38mm





**SEWARD:** B.P.O.E. 1773, good for one drink. Alum., 32mm.





**SEWARD:** Midwinter Conference, 1988-1989. Brass, 34mm.

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